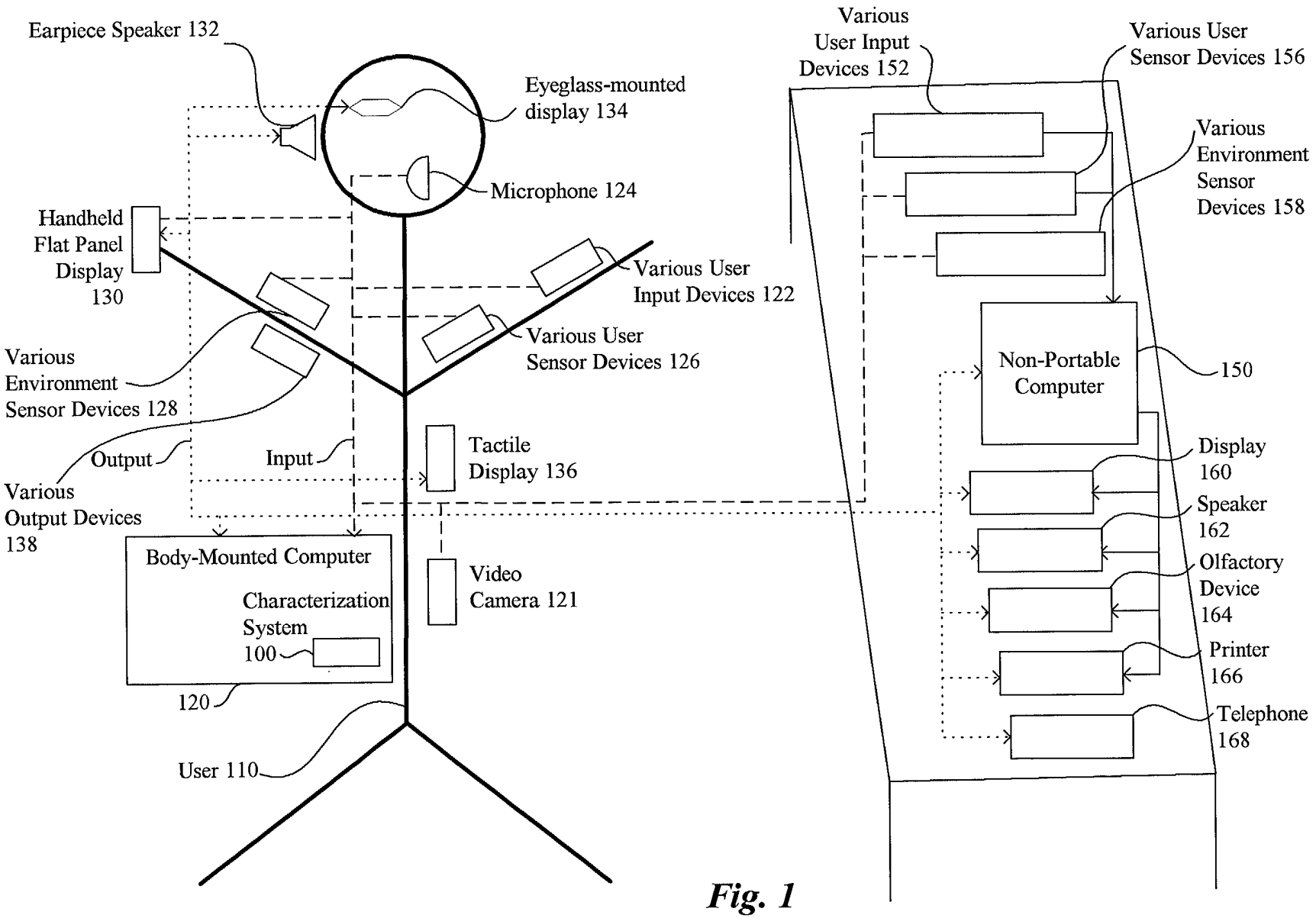
Earpiece Speaker 132
Eyeglass-mounted display 134
Microphone 124
Handheld Flat Panel Display 130
Various User Input Devices 122
Various User Sensor Devices 126
Various Environment Sensor Devices 128
Output
Input
Tactile Display 136
Various Output Devices 138
Body-Mounted Computer
Characterization System 100
120
Video Camera 121
User 110
Various User Input Devices 152
Various User Sensor Devices 156
Various Environment Sensor Devices 158
Non-Portable Computer
150
Display 160
Speaker 162
Olfactory Device 164
Printer 166
Telephone 168

Fig. 1

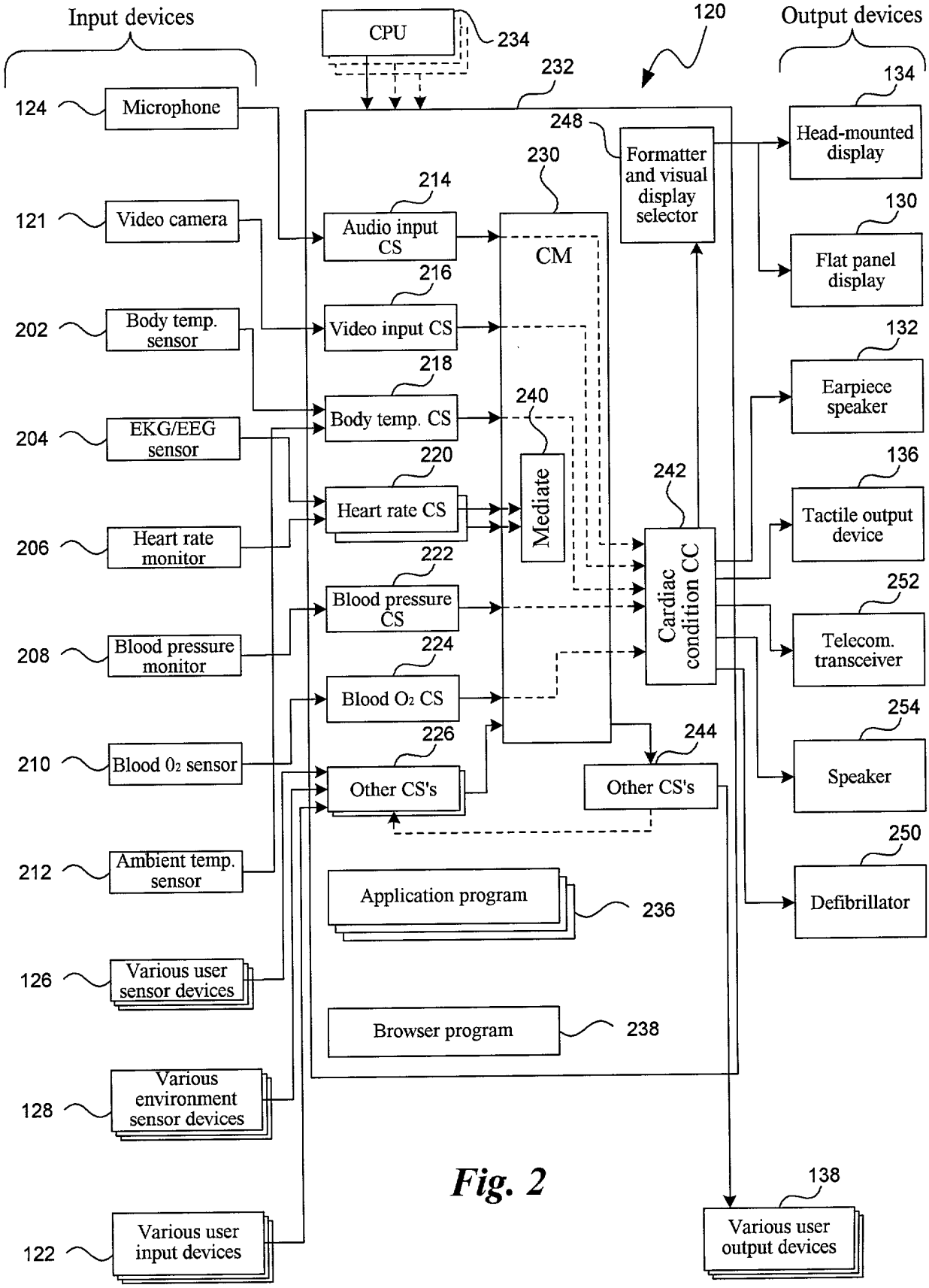
Input devices
CPU
234
120
Output devices
232
124
Microphone
248
Formatter and visual display selector
134
Head-mounted display
230
214
121
Video camera
Audio input CS
CM
130
Flat panel display
216
202
Body temp. sensor
Video input CS
132
Earpiece speaker
218
240
Body temp. CS
204
EKG/EEG sensor
220
242
136
Tactile output device
Heart rate CS
Mediate
206
Heart rate monitor
222
252
Telecom. transceiver
Blood pressure CS
Cardiac condition CC
208
Blood pressure monitor
224
254
Speaker
Blood O2 CS
244
210
Blood 02 sensor
226
Other CS's
Other CS's
250
Defibrillator
212
Ambient temp. sensor
Application program
236
126
Various user sensor devices
Browser program
238
128
Various environment sensor devices
138
Various user output devices
122
Various user input devices

Fig. 2

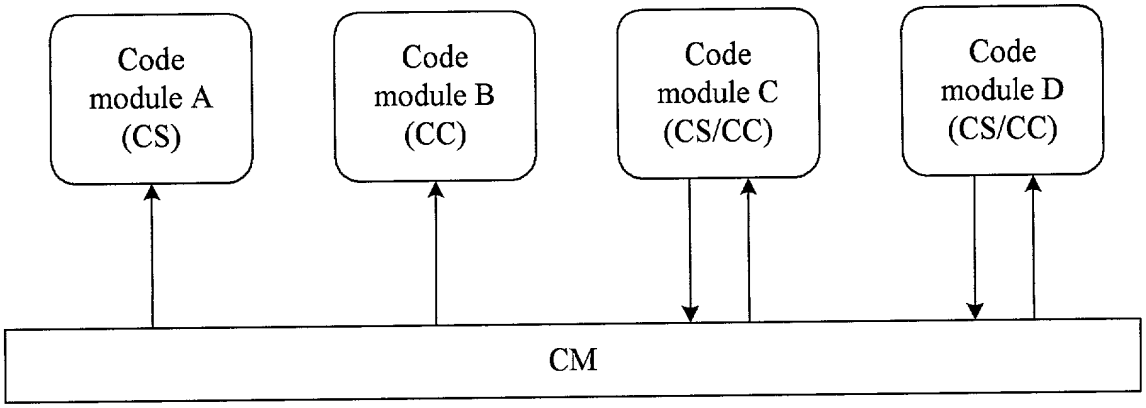
Code module A (CS)
Code module B (CC)
Code module C (CS/CC)
Code module D (CS/CC)
CM
300

Fig. 3

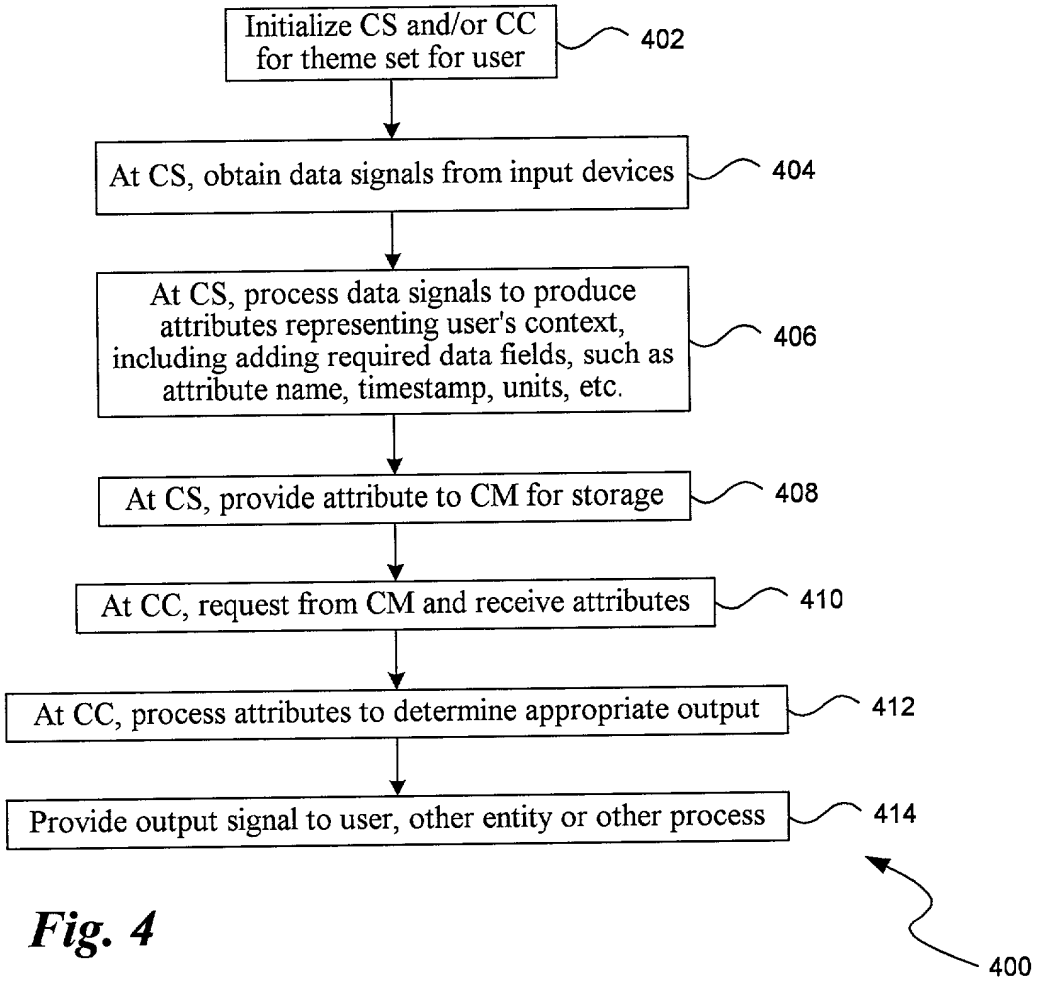
Initialize CS and/or CC for theme set for user
402
At CS, obtain data signals from input devices
404
At CS, process data signals to produce attributes representing user's context, including adding required data fields, such as attribute name, timestamp, units, etc.
406
At CS, provide attribute to CM for storage
408
At CC, request from CM and receive attributes
410
At CC, process attributes to determine appropriate output
412
Provide output signal to user, other entity or other process
414
400

Fig. 4

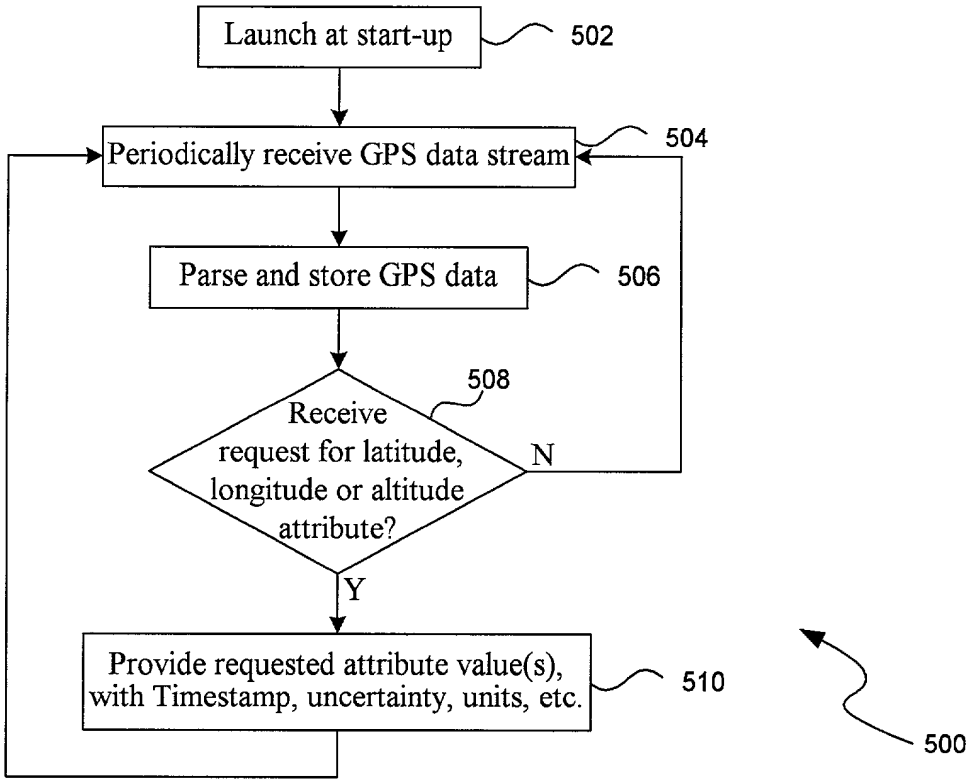
Launch at start-up
502
Periodically receive GPS data stream
504
Parse and store GPS data
506
508
Receive request for latitude, longitude or altitude attribute?
N
Y
Provide requested attribute value(s), with Timestamp, uncertainty, units, etc.
510
500

Fig. 5A

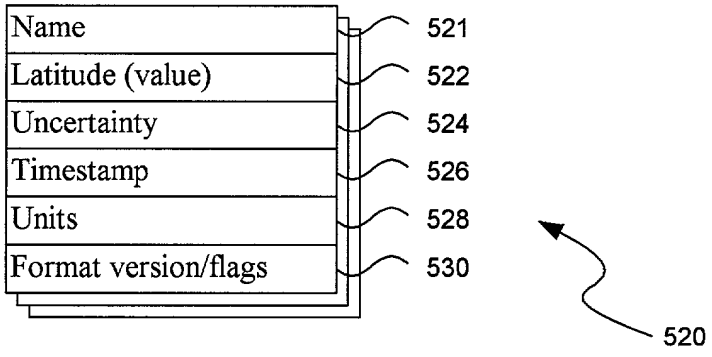
Name
521
Latitude (value)
522
Uncertainty
524
Timestamp
526
Units
528
Format version/flags
530
520

Fig. 5B

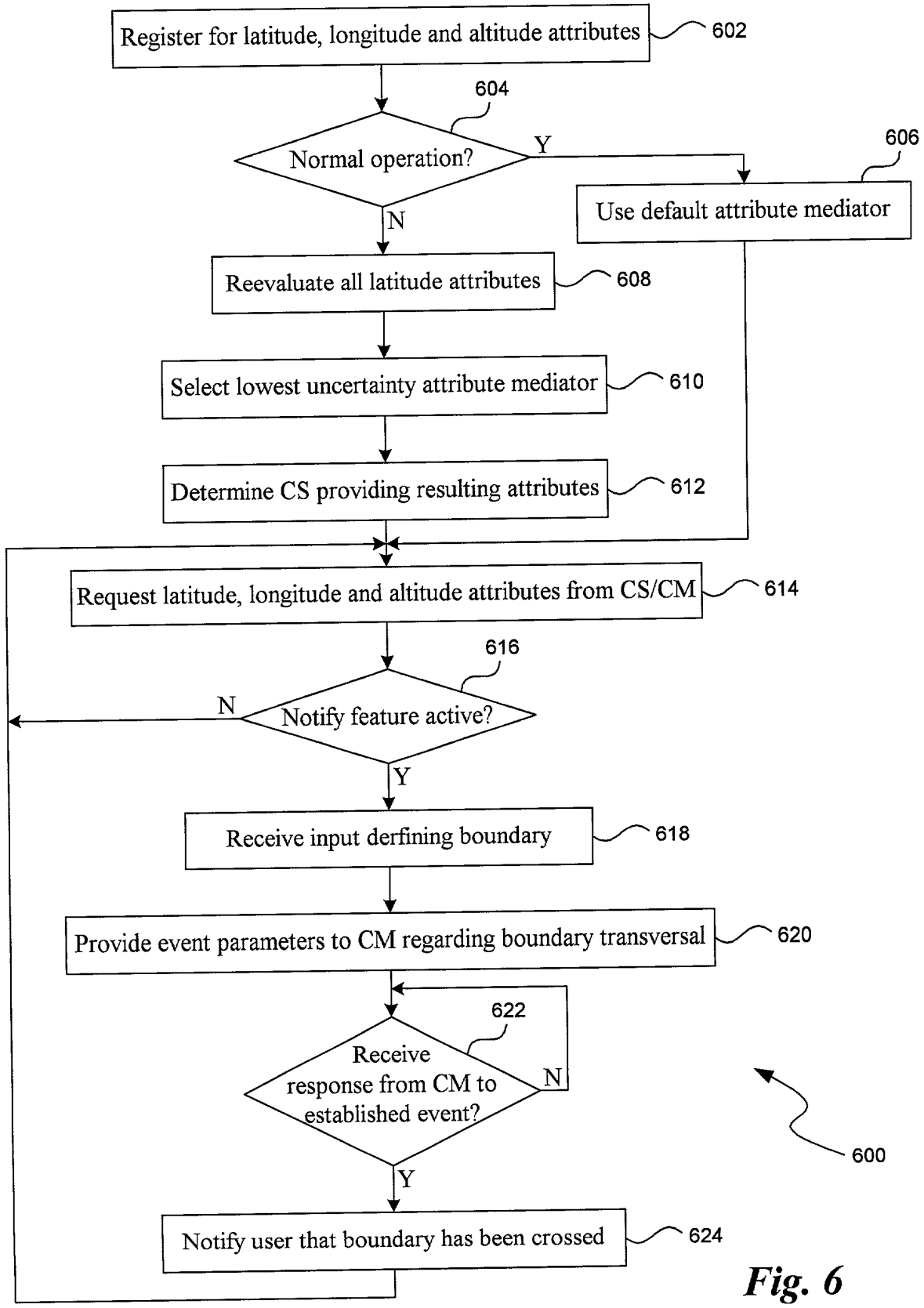
Register for latitude, longitude and altitude attributes
602
604
Normal operation?
Y
606
Use default attribute mediator
N
Reevaluate all latitude attributes
608
Select lowest uncertainty attribute mediator
610
Determine CS providing resulting attributes
612
Request latitude, longitude and altitude attributes from CS/CM
614
616
N
Notify feature active?
Y
Receive input derfining boundary
618
Provide event parameters to CM regarding boundary transversal
620
622
Receive response from CM to established event?
N
Y
Notify user that boundary has been crossed
624
600

Fig. 6

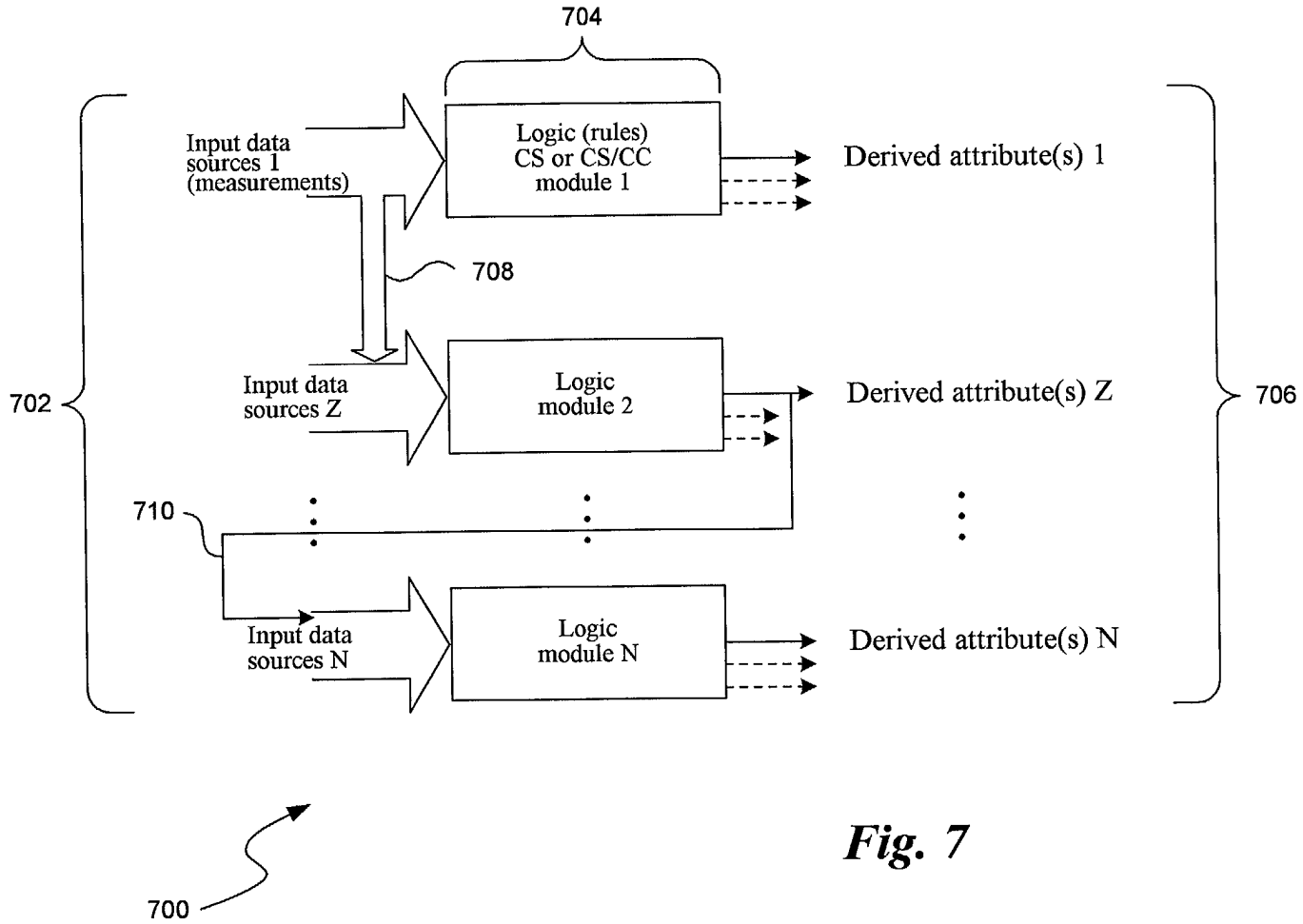
704
Input data sources 1 (measurements)
Logic (rules) CS or CS/CC module 1
Derived attribute(s) 1
708
Input data sources Z
Logic module 2
Derived attribute(s) Z
702
706
710
Input data sources N
Logic module N
Derived attribute(s) N
700

Fig. 7

User.
- Desired_privacy_level
- Interruptibility
- Speed
- Direction
- Acceleration
- Availability.
  - Cognitive_availability
  - Tactile_availability
  - Manual_availability
  - Visual_availability
  - Oral_availability
  - Auditory_availability
- Proximity.<Item or place name>
- Mood.
  - Happiness
  - Sadness
  - Anger
  - Frustration
  - Confusion
- Activity.
  - Driving
  - Eating
  - Running
  - Sleeping
  - Talking
  - Typing
  - Walking
- Location.
  - Place_name
  - Latitude
  - Longitude
  - Altitude
  - Room
  - Floor
  - Building
  - Address
  - Street
  - City
  - County
  - State
  - Country
  - Postal_Code
- Destination. (same as User.Location.)
- Physiology.
  - Pulse
  - Body_temperature
  - Blood_pressure
  - Respiration

Person.<name or ID>. (same as User.)

Platform.
- UI.
  - Oral_input_device_availability
  - Manual_input_device_availability
  - Tactile_output_device_availability
  - Visual_output_device_availability
  - Auditory_output_device_availability

Platform. (continued)
- CPU.
  - Load
  - Speed
- Memory.
  - Total_capacity
  - Used
- Storage.
  - Total_capacity
  - Used
- Connectivity.
  - Connection_status
  - Connection_speed
  - Connection_type/device
  - Connection_activity
- Power.
  - Power_source
  - Power_level

Environment.
- People.
  - Nearest
  - Number_present
  - Number_close
- Local.
  - Time
  - Date
  - Temperature
  - Pressure
  - Wind_speed
  - Wind_direction
  - Absolute_humidity
  - High_forecast_temperature
  - Low_forecast_temperature
  - People_present
  - Ambient_noise_level
  - Ambient_light_level
  - Days.<previous or future>.
    - High_temperature
    - Low_temperature
    - Precipitation_type
    - Precipitation_amount
- Place.<place name>. (same as Environment.Local)

Application.
- Mail.
  - Available
  - New_messages_waiting
  - Messages_waiting_to_be_sent
- Phone.
  - Available
  - In_use
  - On/off
  - Notification_mechanism
  - Call_incoming
  - Caller_ID
- Sound_recorder.
  - Available
  - Recording

Fig. 8

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User Setting
- Mental Context
  - Meaning
  - Cognition
    - Divided User Attention
    - Task Switching
    - Background Awareness
  - Solitude
  - Privacy
    - Desired Privacy
    - Perceived Privacy
  - Social Context
  - Affect
- Physical Situation
  - Body
    - Biometrics
    - Posture
    - Motion
    - Physical Encumberment
      - Senses
        - Eyes
        - Ears
        - Tactile
        - Hands
        - Nose
        - Tongue
      - Workload demands/effects
      - Interaction with computer devices
      - Interaction with people
      - Physical Health
  - Environment
    - Time/Space
    - Objects
    - Persons
      - Audience/Privacy Availability
        - Scope of Disclosure
        - Hardware affinity for privacy
        - Privacy Indicator for User
        - Privacy Indicator for Public
        - Watching Indicator
        - Being Observed Indicator
    - Ambient Interference
      - Visual
      - Audio
      - Tactile

Computer
- Power
- Configuration
  - User Input Systems
    - Hand/Haptic
      - Keyboard/Keystrokes
    - Voice/Audio
    - Eye Tracking
    - Cursors
      - Axis
      - Resolution
        - Selection
        - Invocation
      - Accelerators
  - Output Systems
    - Visual
      - Resolution
    - Audio
      - Public/Private
    - Haptic
  - External Resources
    - I/O devices
    - Connectivity
- Data
  - Quantity/State
  - Urgency/Importance
    - Use of Prominence
  - Modality
  - Sensitivity/Purpose
    - Privacy Issues
    - Use of Association
    - Use of Safety
  - Source/Ownership
    - Types
      - User generated
      - Other computers or people
      - Sensor
      - PC State
    - Use of Association

Fig. 9

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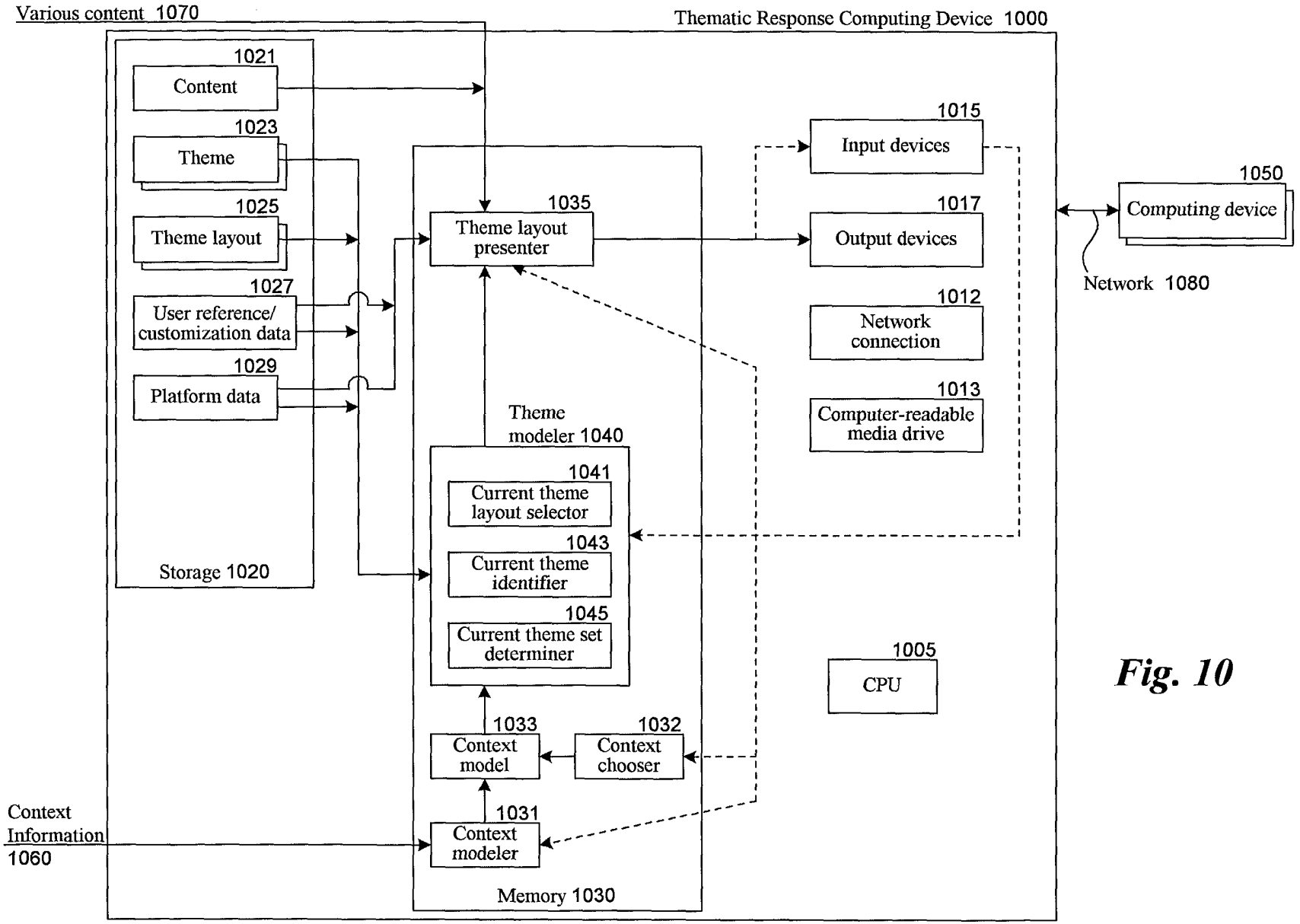

Fig. 10

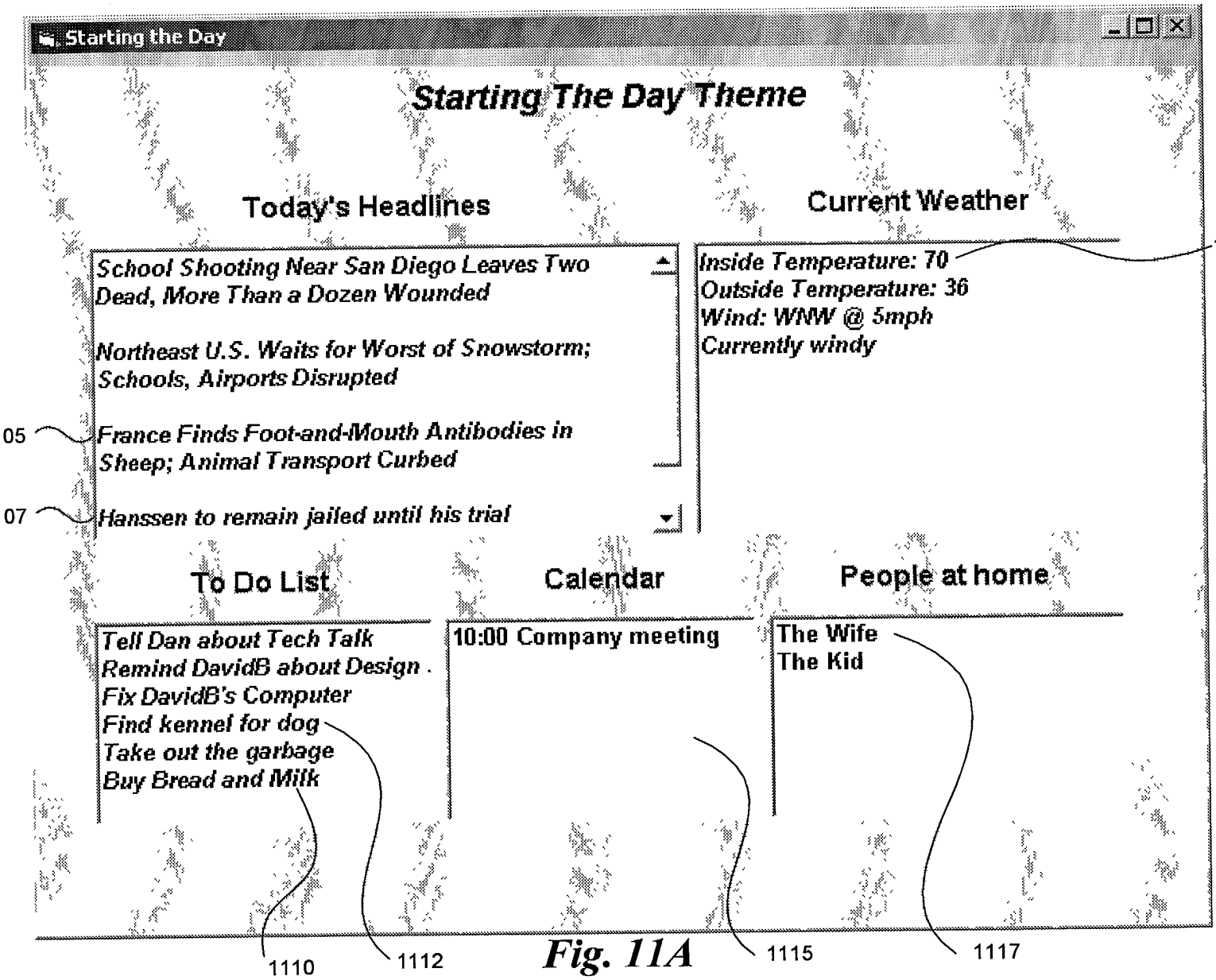
Starting the Day
Starting The Day Theme
Today's Headlines
School Shooting Near San Diego Leaves Two Dead, More Than a Dozen Wounded
Northeast U.S. Waits for Worst of Snowstorm; Schools, Airports Disrupted
France Finds Foot-and-Mouth Antibodies in Sheep; Animal Transport Curbed
Hanssen to remain jailed until his trial
Current Weather
Inside Temperature: 70
Outside Temperature: 36
Wind: WNW @ 5mph
Currently windy
1109
1105
1107
To Do List
Tell Dan about Tech Talk
Remind DavidB about Design
Fix DavidB's Computer
Find kennel for dog
Take out the garbage
Buy Bread and Milk
Calendar
10:00 Company meeting
People at home
The Wife
The Kid
1110
1112
1115
1117

Fig. 11A

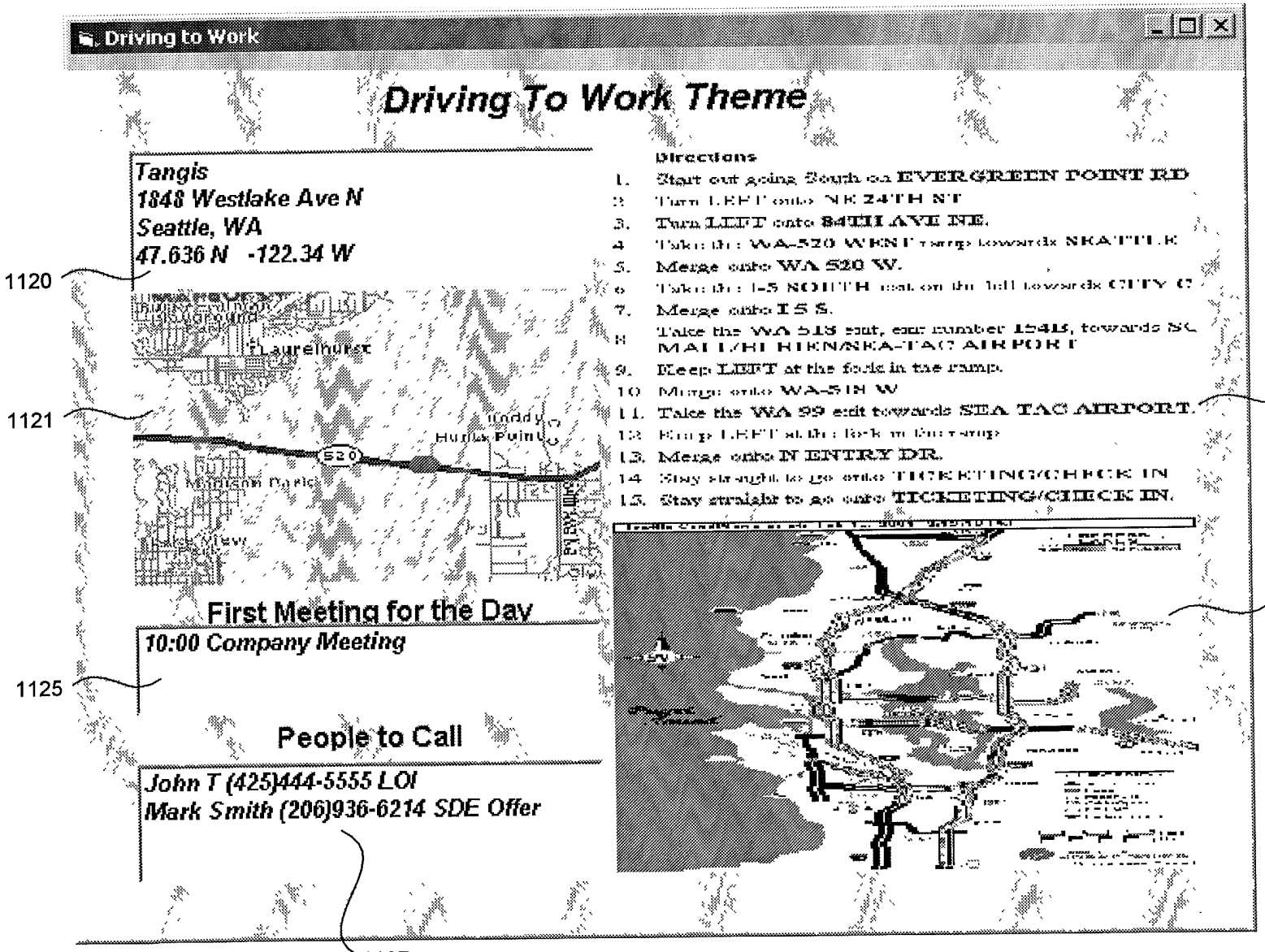
Driving to Work
Driving To Work Theme
Tangis
1848 Westlake Ave N
Seattle, WA
47.636 N -122.34 W
Directions
1. Start out going South on EVERGREEN POINT RD
2. Turn LEFT onto NE 24TH ST
3. Turn LEFT onto 84TH AVE NE.
4. Take the WA-520 WEST ramp towards SEATTLE
5. Merge onto WA 520 W.
6. Take the I-5 NORTH exit on the left towards CITY C
7. Merge onto I 5 S.
8. Take the WA 518 exit, exit number 154B, towards SC MAIL/FREIGHT/SEA-TAC AIRPORT
9. Keep LEFT at the fork in the ramp.
10. Merge onto WA-518 W
11. Take the WA 99 exit towards SEA TAC AIRPORT.
12. Keep LEFT at the fork in the ramp
13. Merge onto N ENTRY DR.
14. Stay straight to go onto TICKETING/CHECK IN
15. Stay straight to go onto TICKETING/CHECK IN.
Laurelhurst
Hunts Point
520
First Meeting for the Day
10:00 Company Meeting
People to Call
John T (425)444-5555 LOI
Mark Smith (206)936-6214 SDE Offer
1120
1121
1122
1123
1125
1127

Fig. 11B

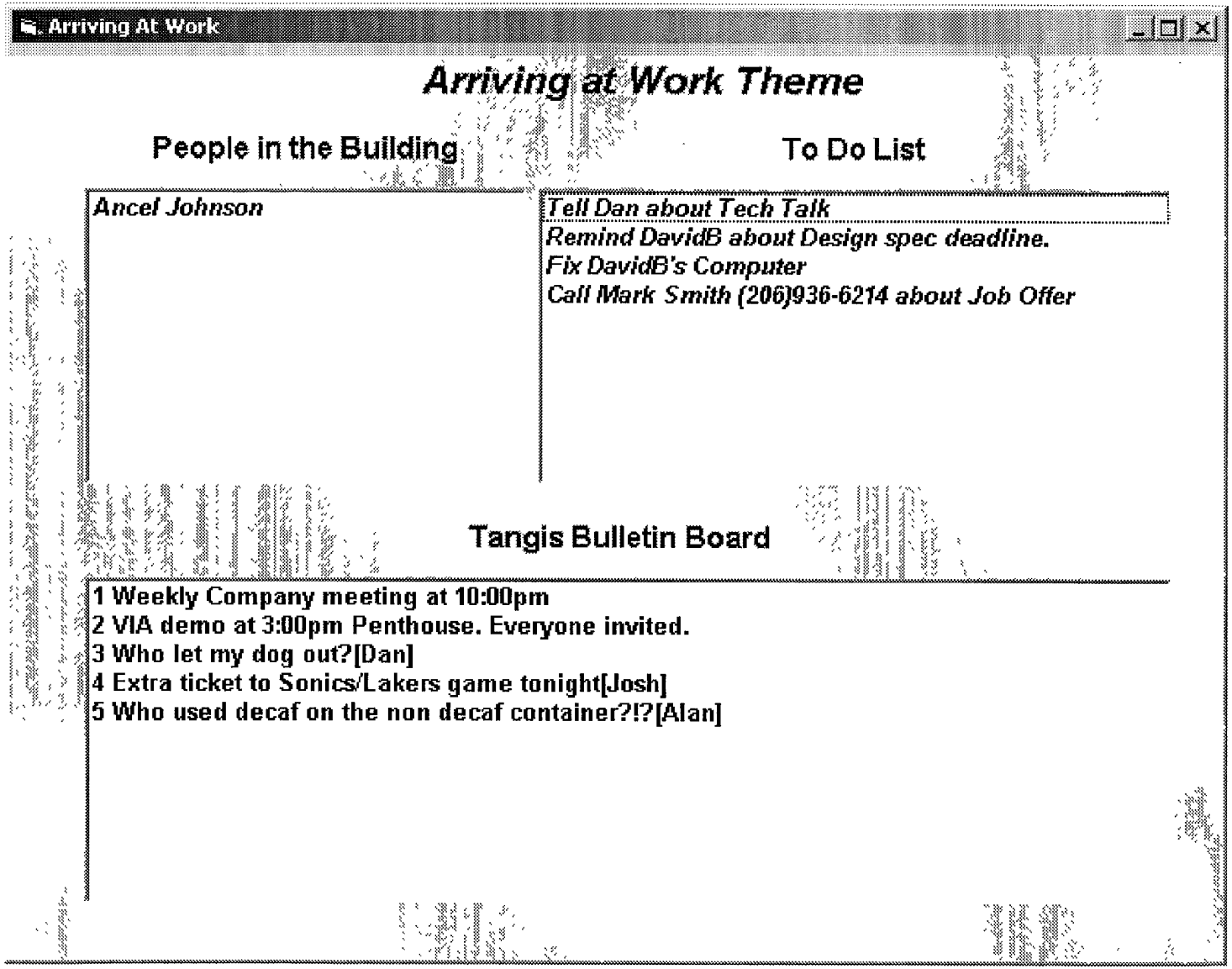
Arriving At Work
Arriving at Work Theme
People in the Building
To Do List
Ancel Johnson
Tell Dan about Tech Talk
Remind DavidB about Design spec deadline.
Fix DavidB's Computer
Call Mark Smith (206)936-6214 about Job Offer
Tangis Bulletin Board
1 Weekly Company meeting at 10:00pm
2 VIA demo at 3:00pm Penthouse. Everyone invited.
3 Who let my dog out?[Dan]
4 Extra ticket to Sonics/Lakers game tonight[Josh]
5 Who used decaf on the non decaf container?!?[Alan]

Fig. 11C

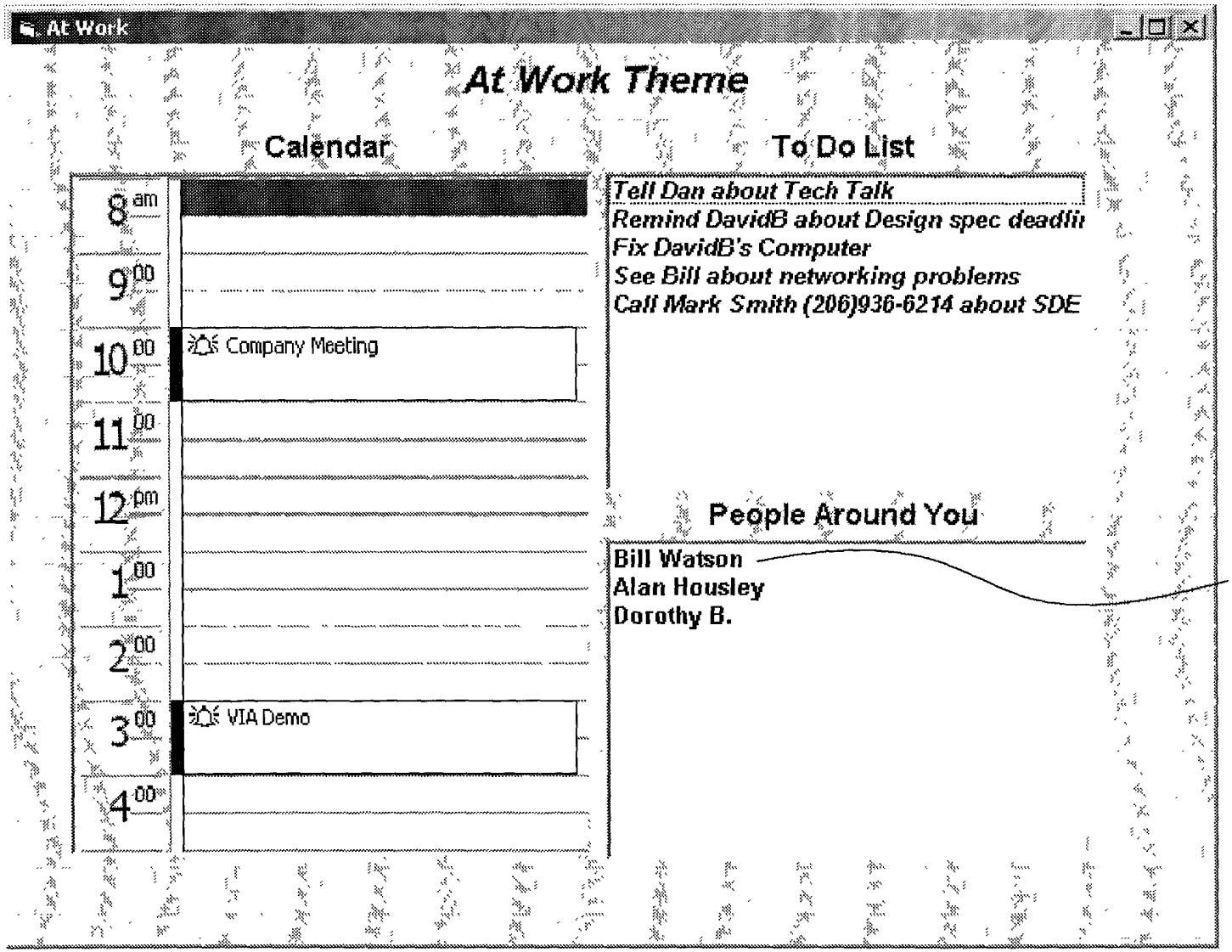
At Work
At Work Theme
Calendar
To Do List
8 am
9 00
10 00
11 00
12 pm
1 00
2 00
3 00
4 00
Company Meeting
VIA Demo
Tell Dan about Tech Talk
Remind DavidB about Design spec deadlii
Fix DavidB's Computer
See Bill about networking problems
Call Mark Smith (206)936-6214 about SDE
People Around You
Bill Watson
Alan Housley
Dorothy B.
1130

Fig. 11D

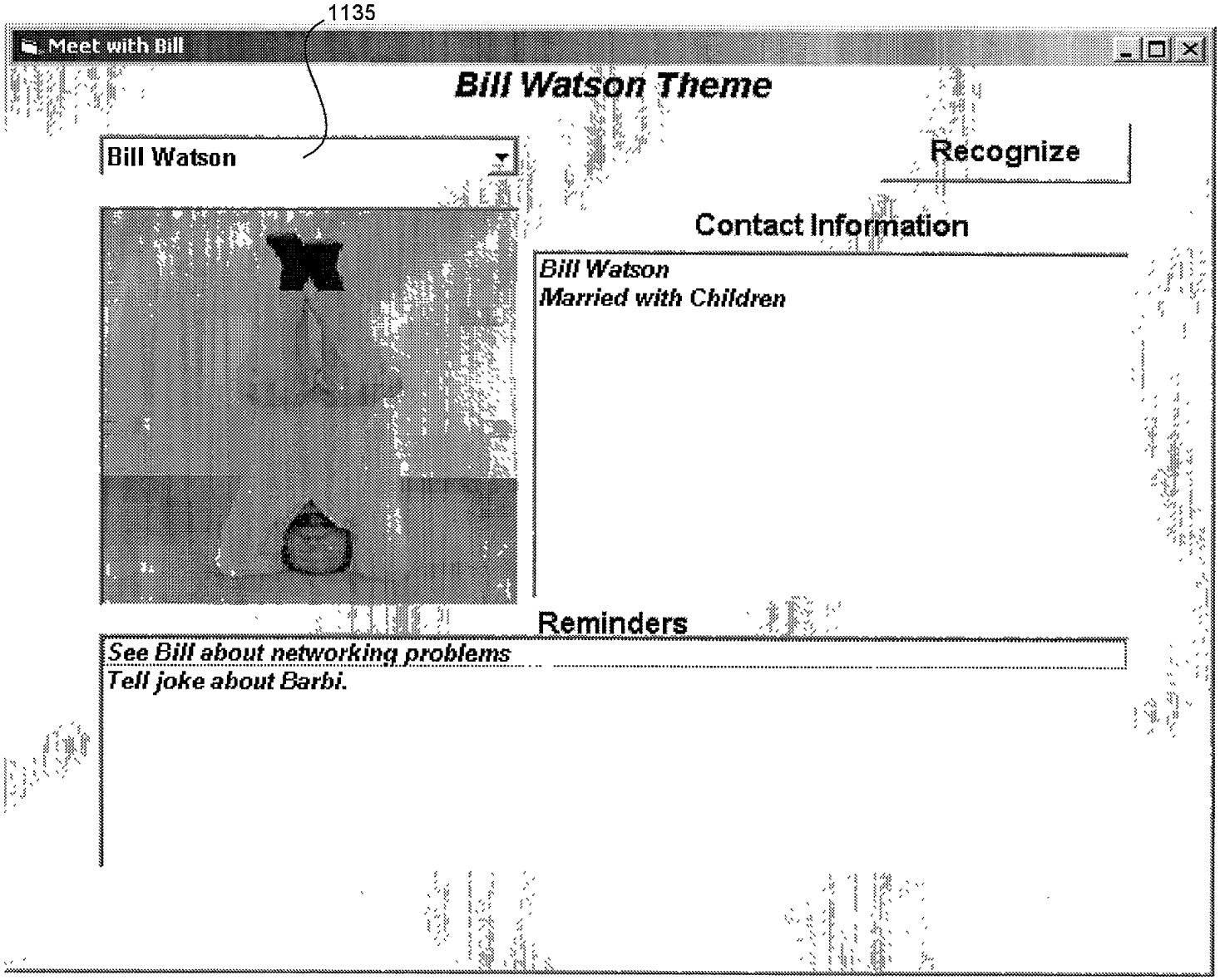
1135
Meet with Bill
Bill Watson Theme
Bill Watson
Recognize
Contact Information
Bill Watson
Married with Children
Reminders
See Bill about networking problems
Tell joke about Barbi.

Fig. 11E

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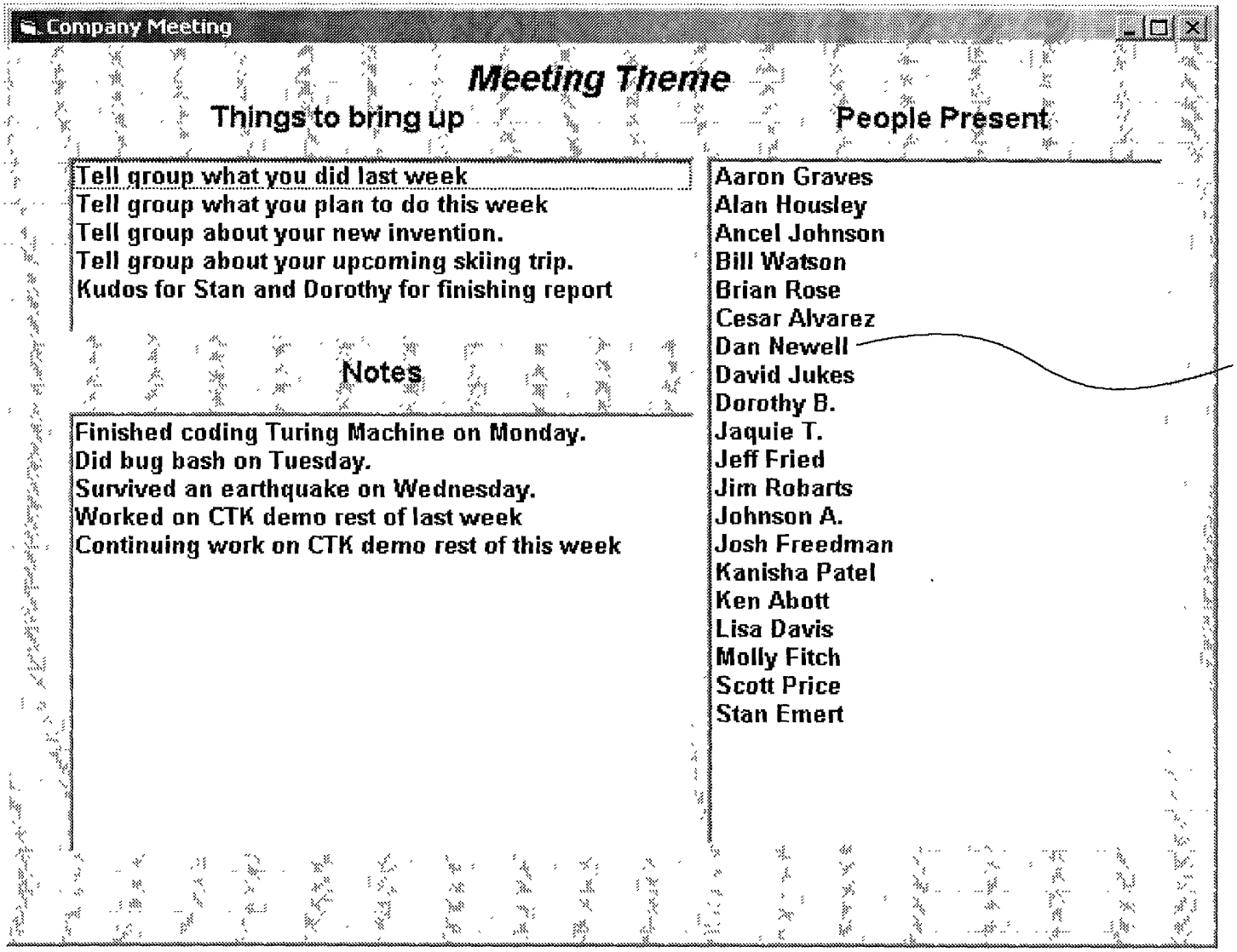

Fig. 11F

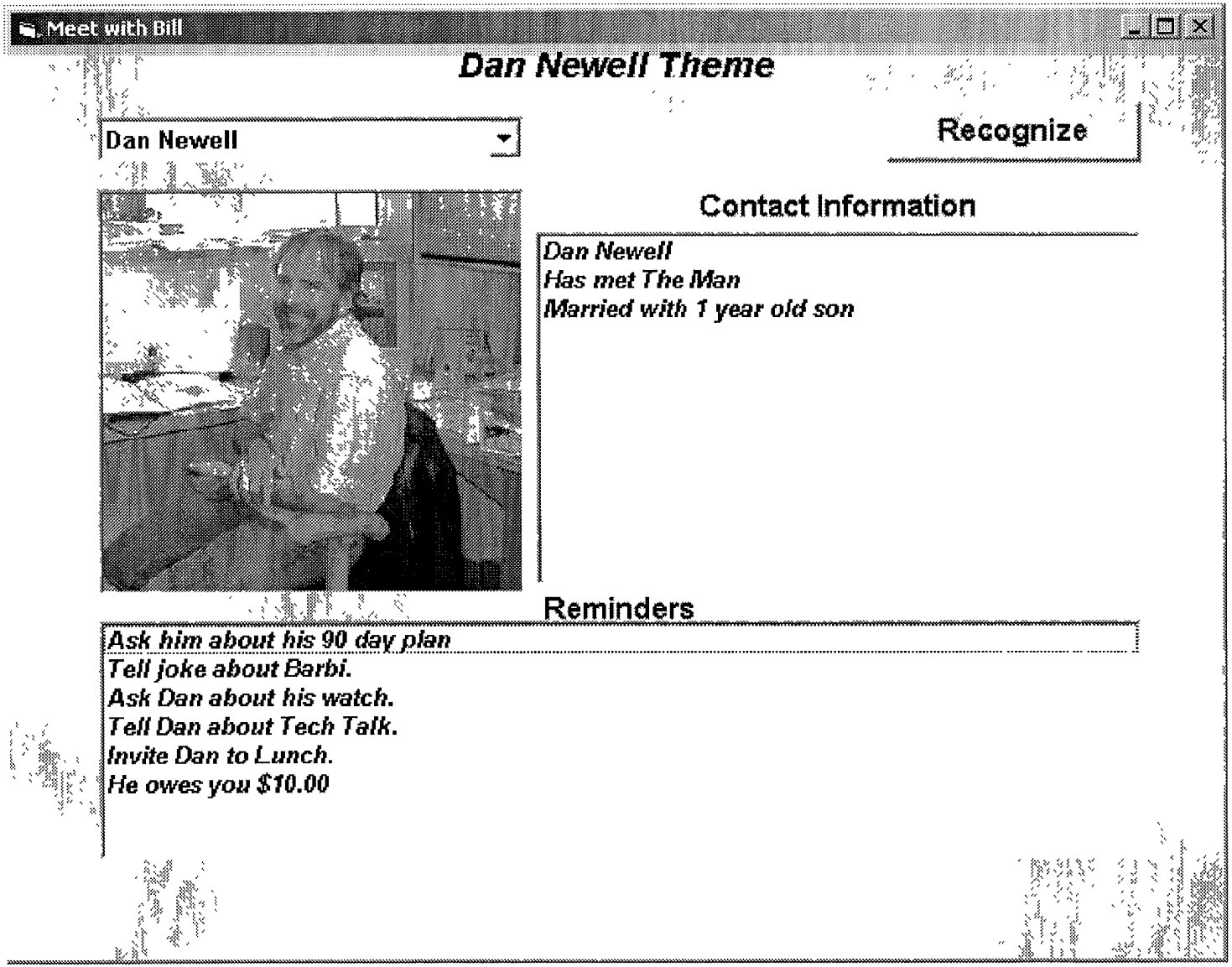
Meet with Bill
Dan Newell Theme
Dan Newell
Recognize
Contact Information
Dan Newell
Has met The Man
Married with 1 year old son
Reminders
Ask him about his 90 day plan
Tell joke about Barbi.
Ask Dan about his watch.
Tell Dan about Tech Talk.
Invite Dan to Lunch.
He owes you $10.00

Fig. 11G

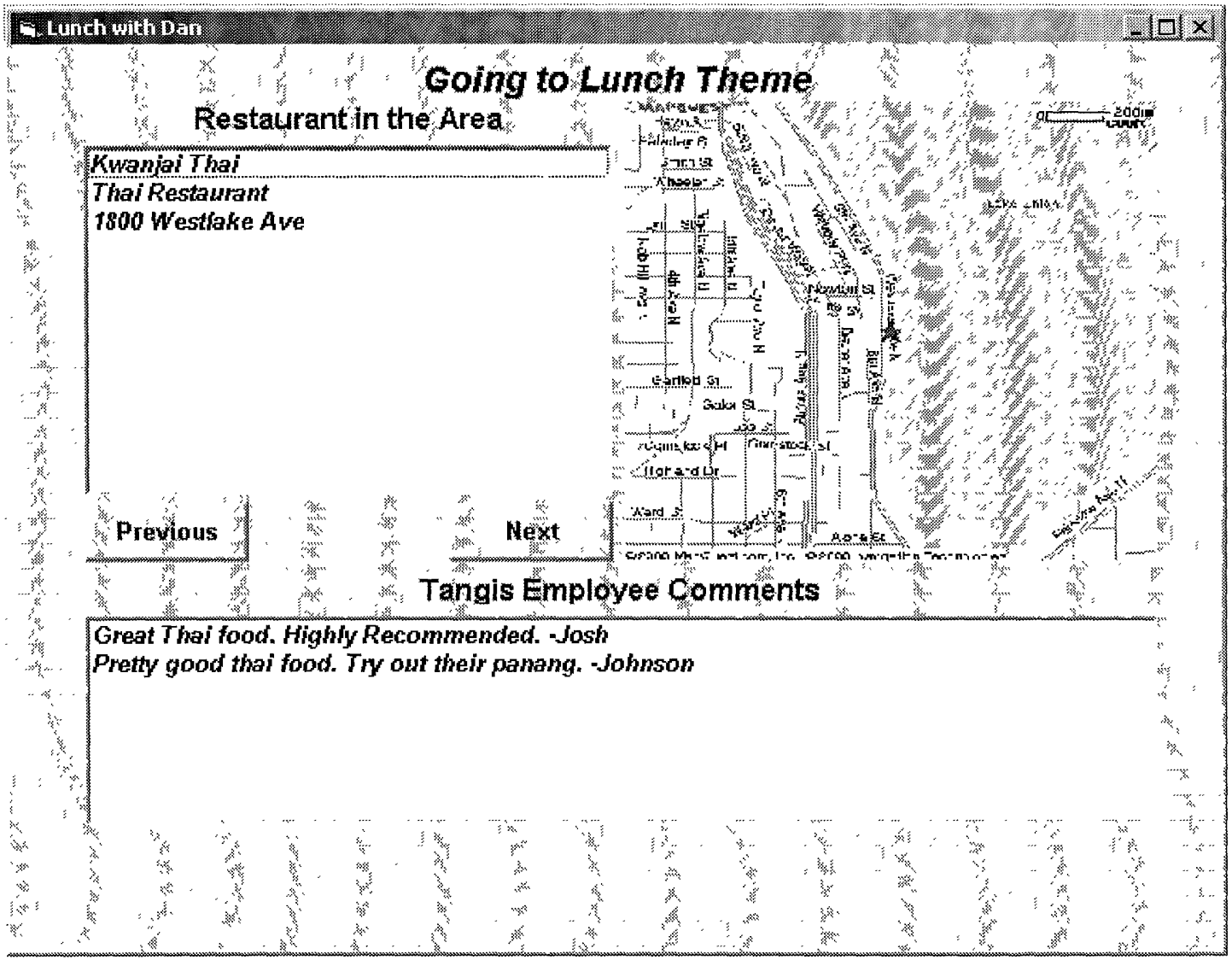
Lunch with Dan
Going to Lunch Theme
Restaurant in the Area
Kwanjai Thai
Thai Restaurant
1800 Westlake Ave
Previous
Next
Tangis Employee Comments
Great Thai food. Highly Recommended. -Josh
Pretty good thai food. Try out their panang. -Johnson

Fig. 11H

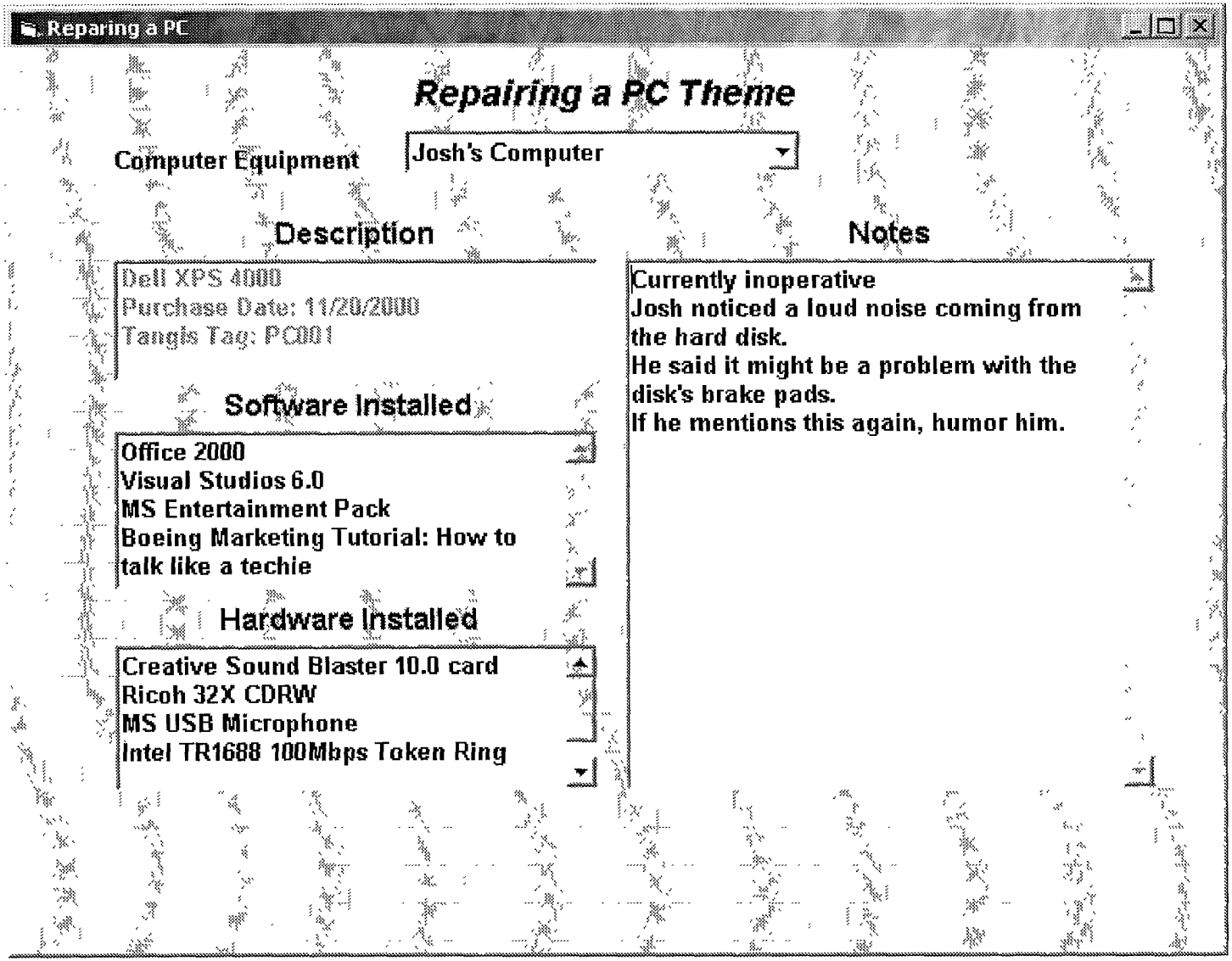
Reparing a PC
Repairing a PC Theme
Computer Equipment
Josh's Computer
Description
Dell XPS 4000
Purchase Date: 11/20/2000
Tangis Tag: PC001
Software Installed
Office 2000
Visual Studios 6.0
MS Entertainment Pack
Boeing Marketing Tutorial: How to talk like a techie
Hardware Installed
Creative Sound Blaster 10.0 card
Ricoh 32X CDRW
MS USB Microphone
Intel TR1688 100Mbps Token Ring
Notes
Currently inoperative
Josh noticed a loud noise coming from the hard disk.
He said it might be a problem with the disk's brake pads.
If he mentions this again, humor him.

Fig. 11I

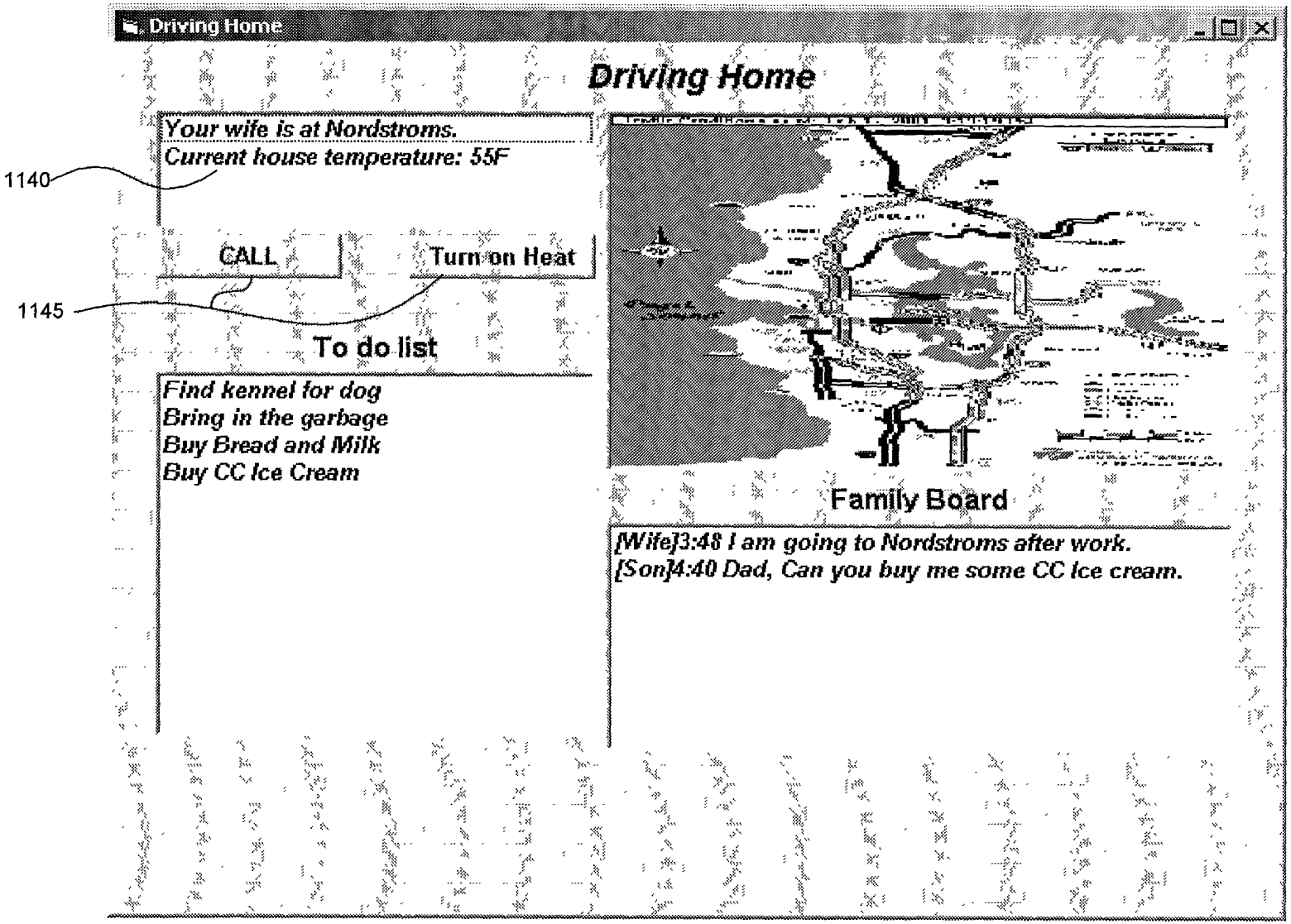
Driving Home
Driving Home
Your wife is at Nordstroms.
Current house temperature: 55F
1140
CALL
Turn on Heat
1145
To do list
Find kennel for dog
Bring in the garbage
Buy Bread and Milk
Buy CC Ice Cream
Family Board
[Wife]3:48 I am going to Nordstroms after work.
[Son]4:40 Dad, Can you buy me some CC Ice cream.

Fig. 11J

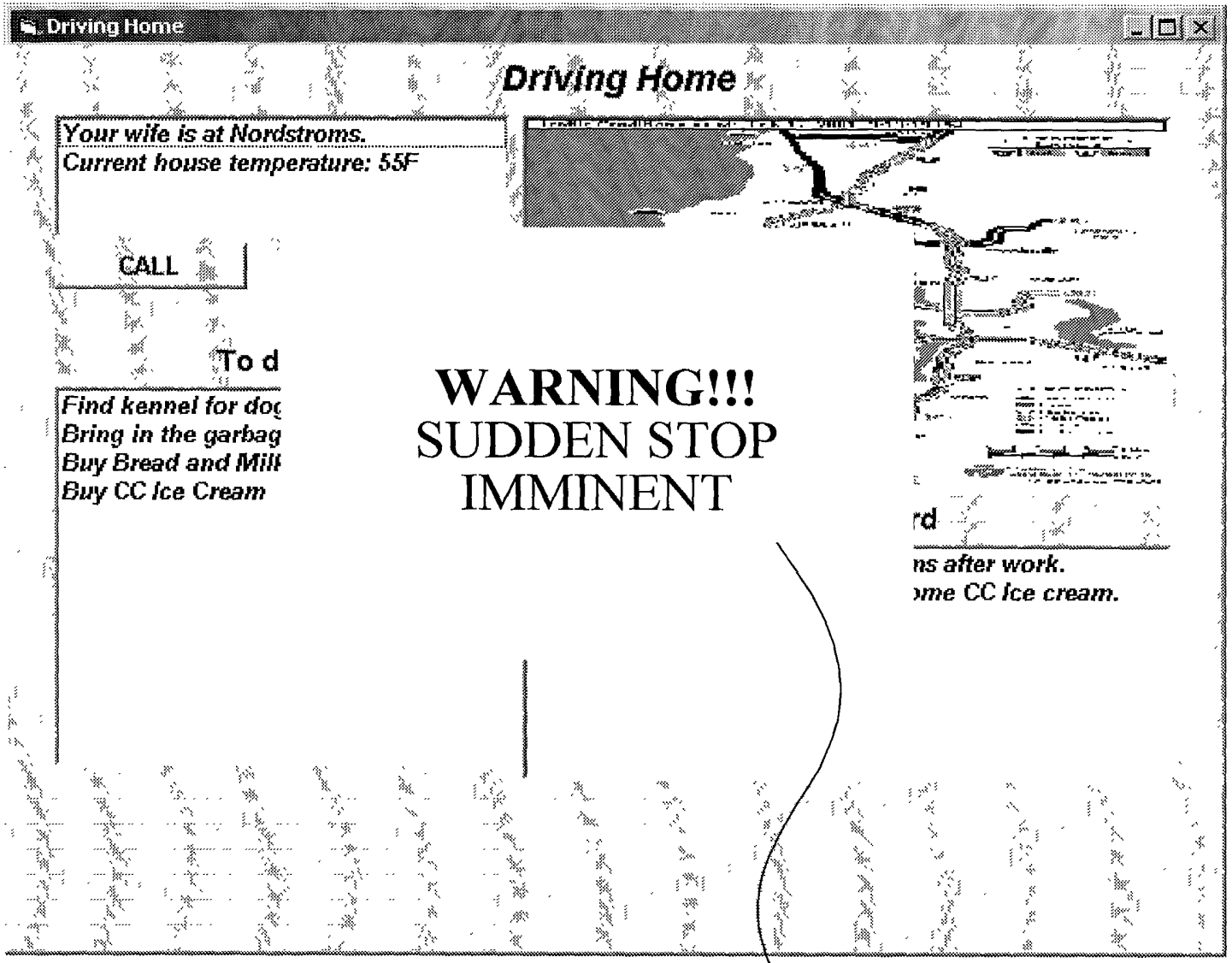
Driving Home
Driving Home
Your wife is at Nordstroms.
Current house temperature: 55F
CALL
To d
Find kennel for dog
Bring in the garbag
Buy Bread and Milk
Buy CC Ice Cream
WARNING!!!
SUDDEN STOP
IMMINENT
rd
ns after work.
ome CC Ice cream.
1190

Fig. 11K

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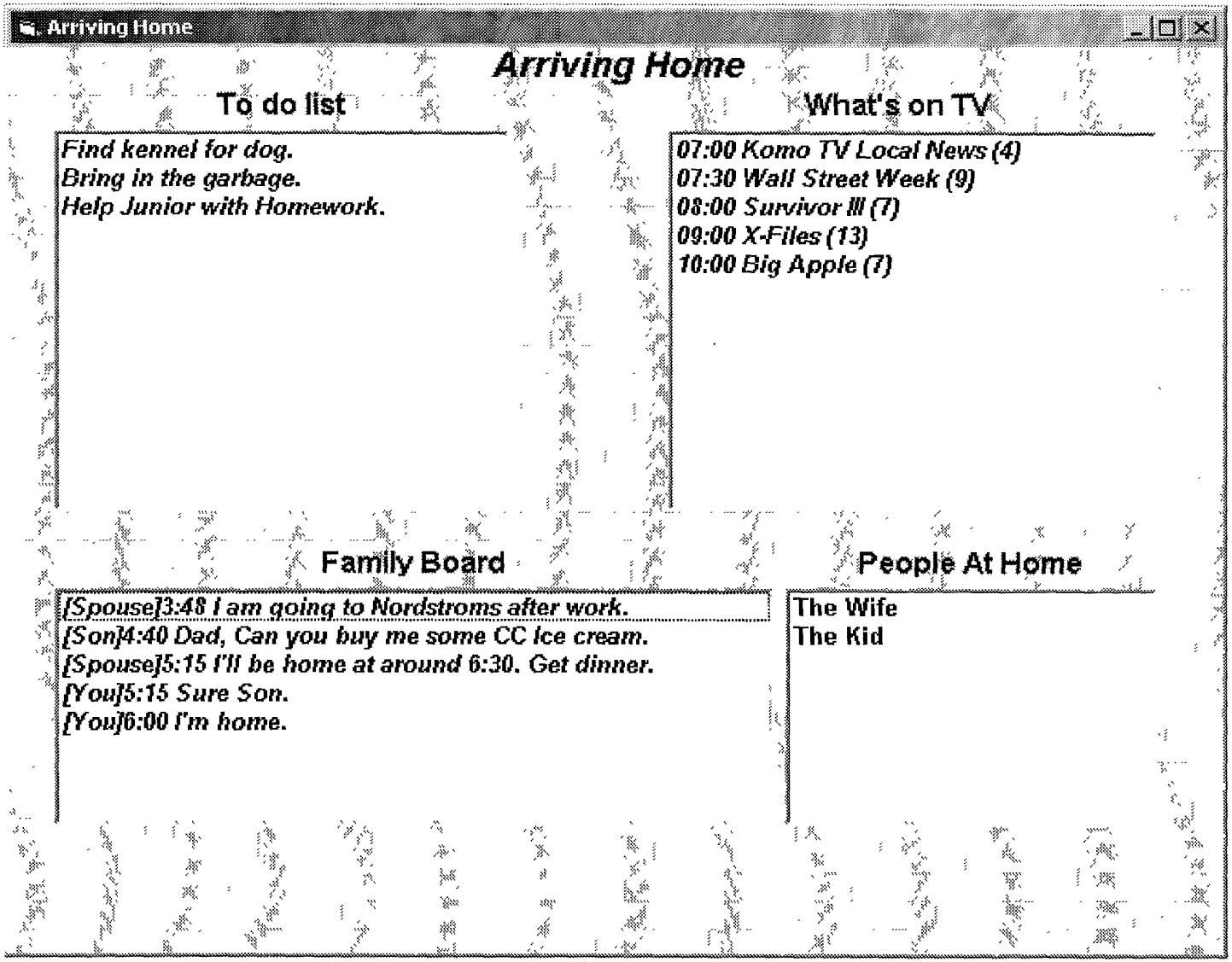


Fig. 11L

Example Current Theme Selection

Select A New Current Theme

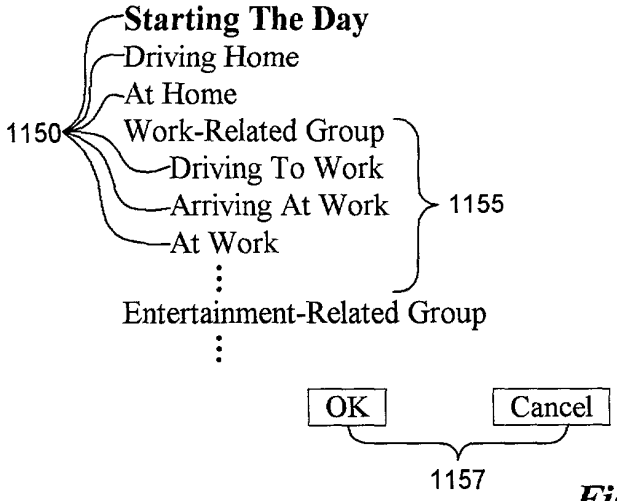


Figure 11M

Example Current Theme Set Modification

Current Theme Set

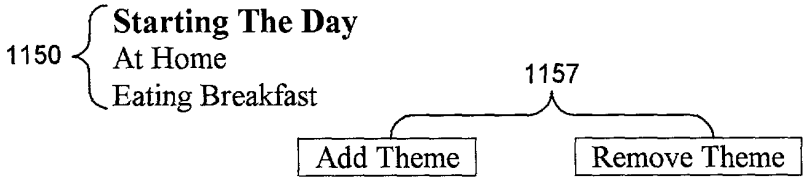


Figure 11N

Example Current Theme Layout Selection

Select A New Current Theme Layout

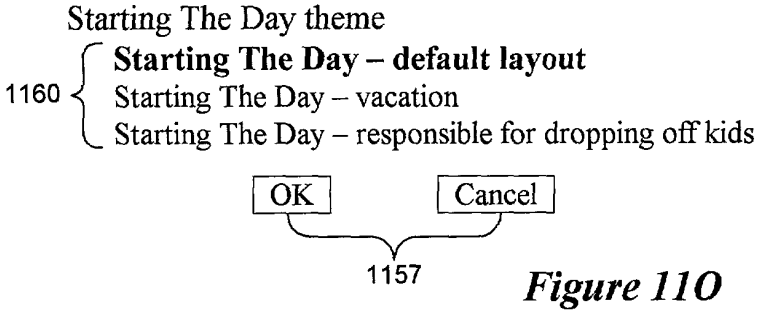


Figure 11O

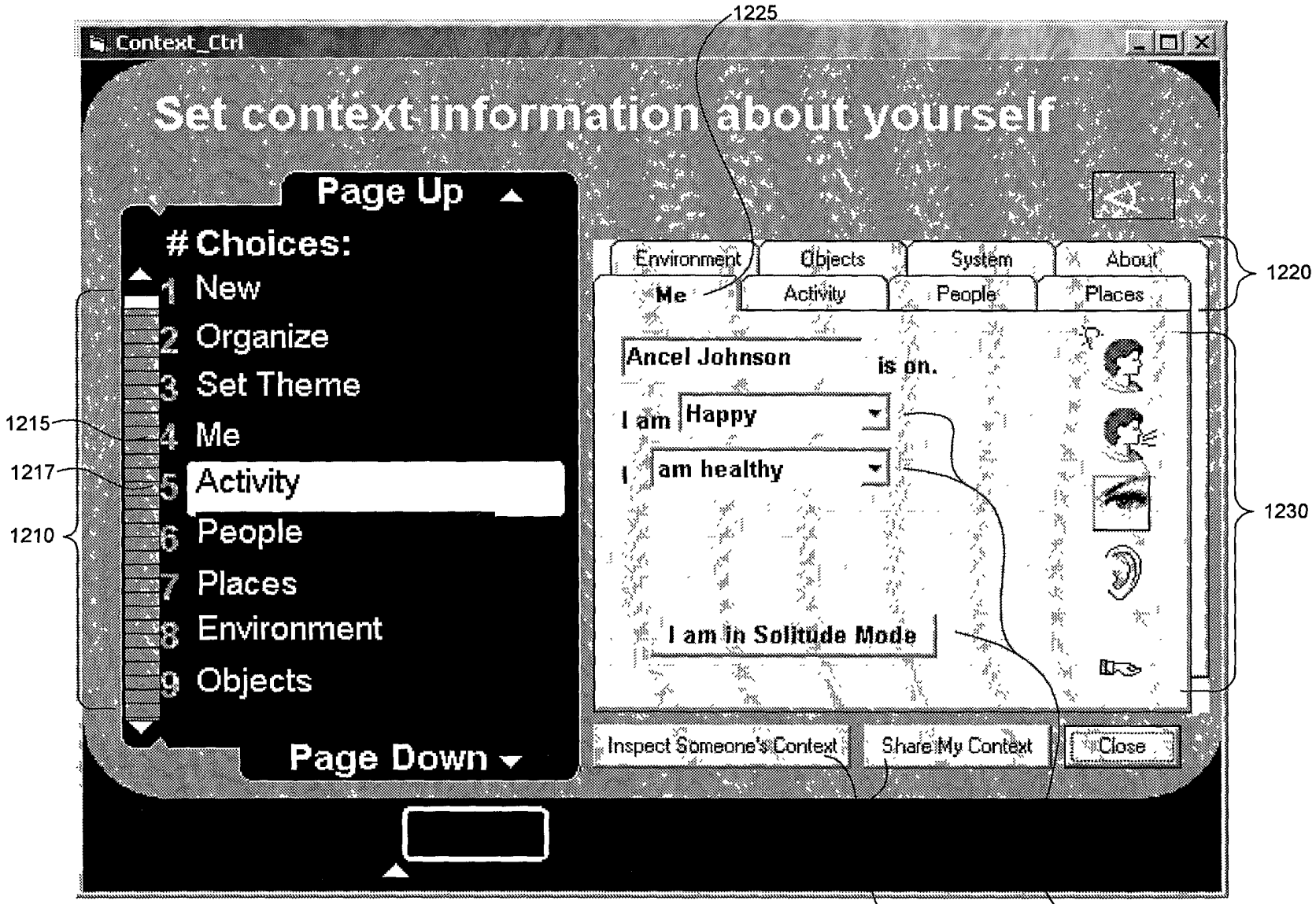

Context_Ctrl
Set context information about yourself
Page Up
Choices:
1 New
2 Organize
3 Set Theme
4 Me
5 Activity
6 People
7 Places
8 Environment
9 Objects
Page Down
Environment
Objects
System
About
Me
Activity
People
Places
Ancel Johnson
is on.
I am
Happy
I
am healthy
I am in Solitude Mode
Inspect Someone's Context
Share My Context
Close
1225
1220
1215
1217
1210
1230
1237
1235

Fig. 12A

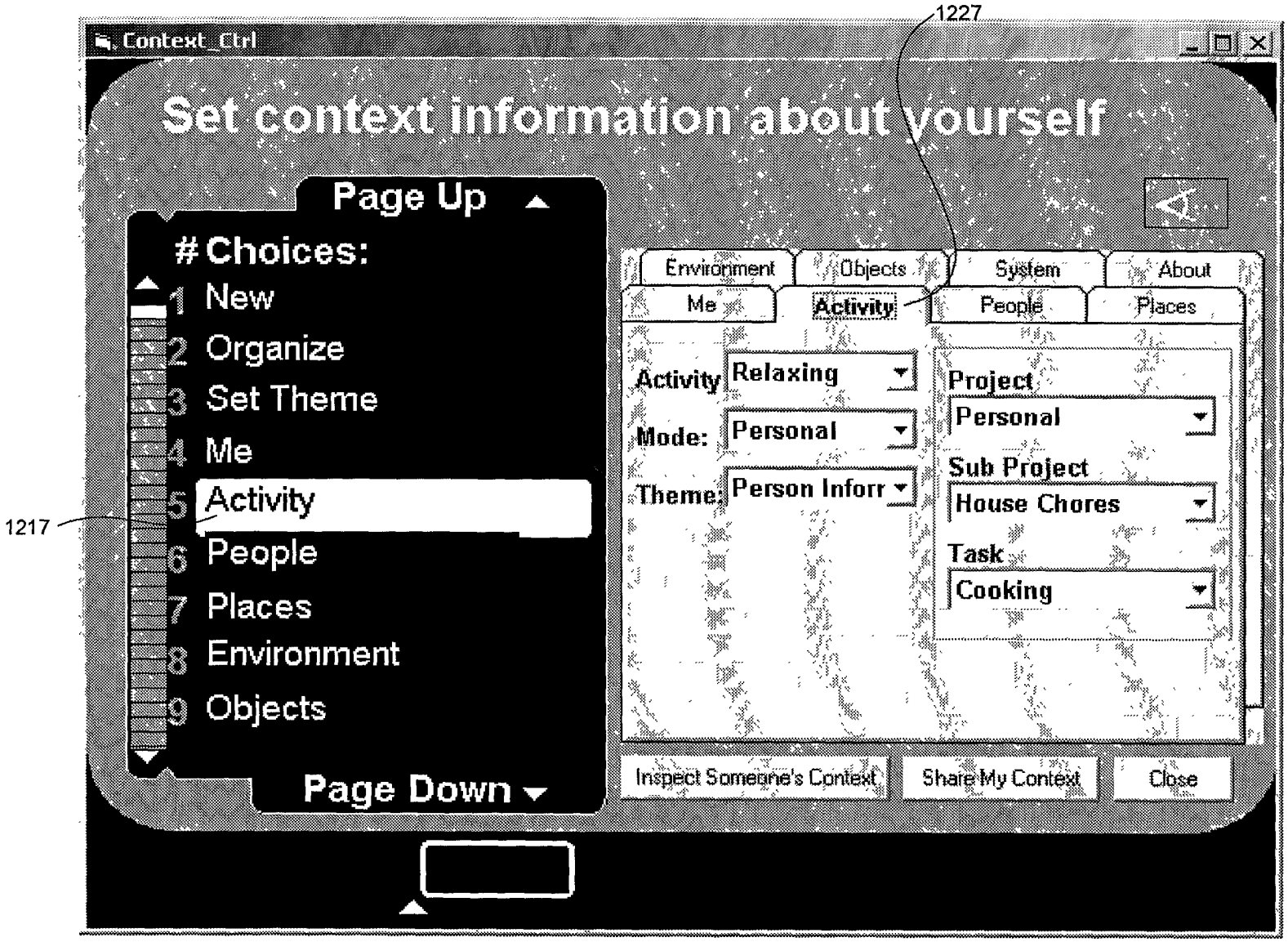

Context_Ctrl
1227
Set context information about yourself
Page Up
Choices:
1 New
2 Organize
3 Set Theme
4 Me
5 Activity
6 People
7 Places
8 Environment
9 Objects
Page Down
1217
Environment
Objects
System
About
Me
Activity
People
Places
Activity
Relaxing
Mode:
Personal
Theme:
Person Inforr
Project
Personal
Sub Project
House Chores
Task
Cooking
Inspect Someone's Context
Share My Context
Close

Fig. 12B

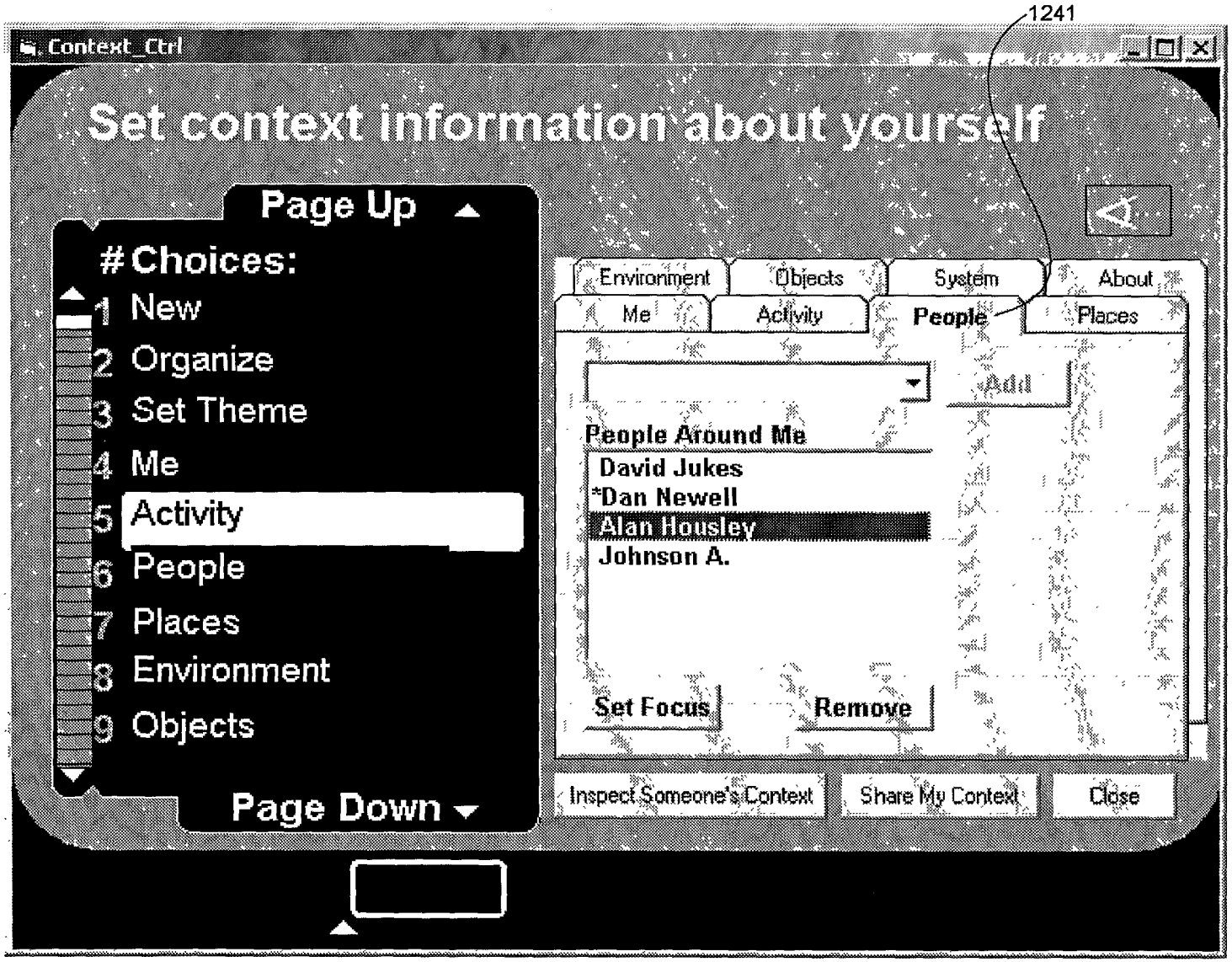

1241
Context_Ctrl
Set context information about yourself
Page Up
#Choices:
1 New
2 Organize
3 Set Theme
4 Me
5 Activity
6 People
7 Places
8 Environment
9 Objects
Page Down
Environment
Objects
System
About
Me
Activity
People
Places
Add
People Around Me
David Jukes
*Dan Newell
Alan Housley
Johnson A.
Set Focus
Remove
Inspect Someone's Context
Share My Context
Close

Fig. 12C

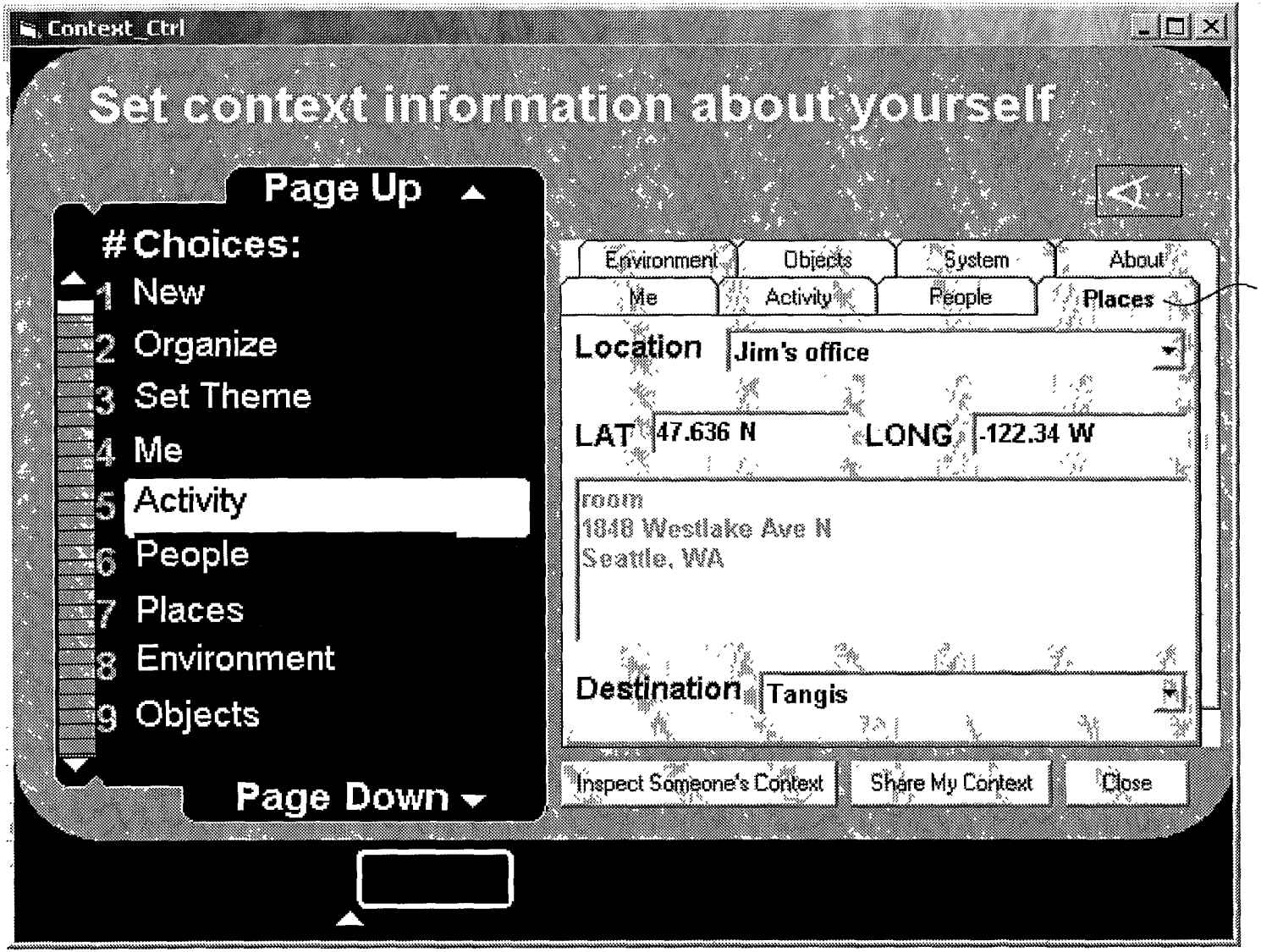
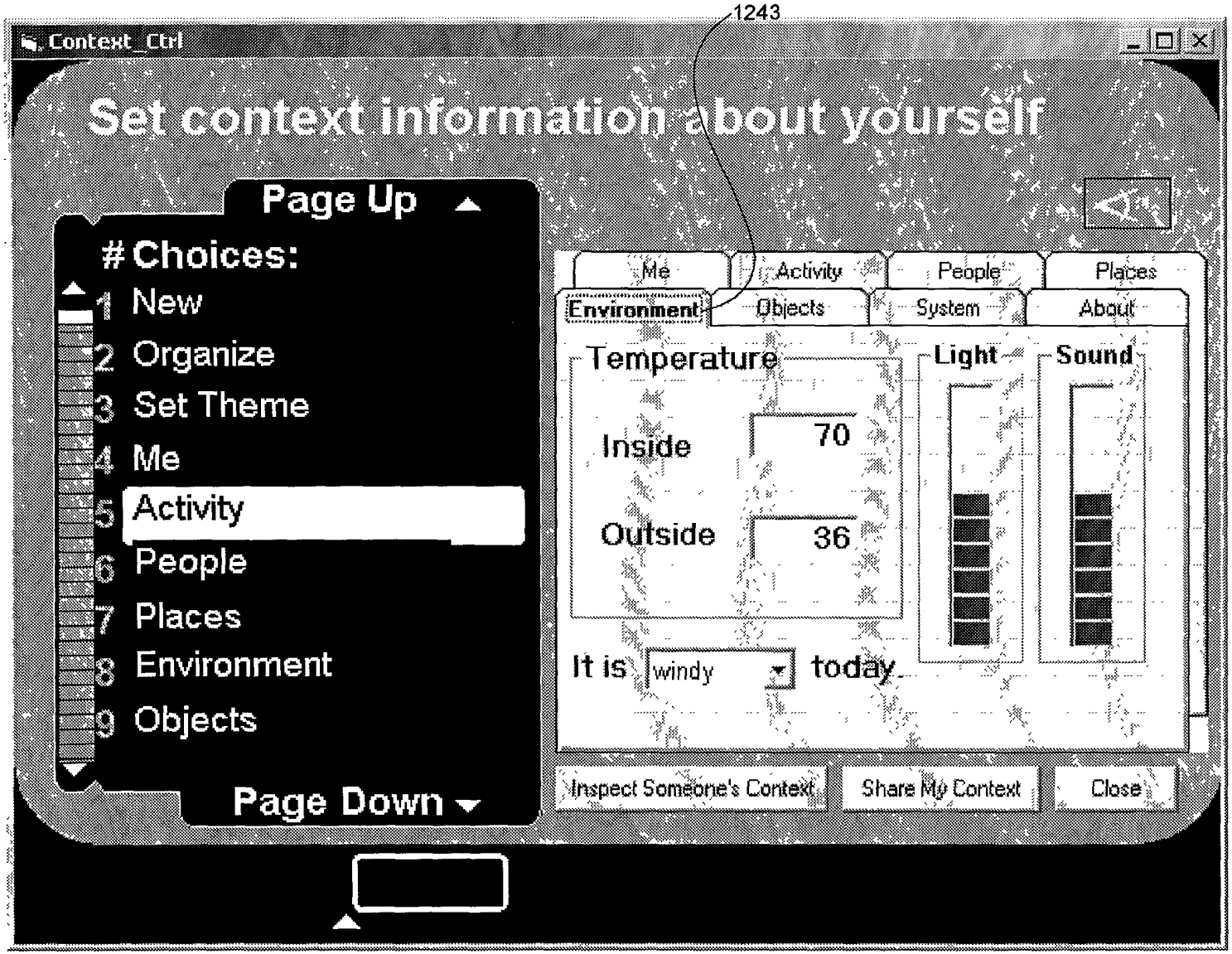

Context_Ctrl
Set context information about yourself
Page Up
#Choices:
1 New
2 Organize
3 Set Theme
4 Me
5 Activity
6 People
7 Places
8 Environment
9 Objects
Page Down
Environment
Objects
System
About
Me
Activity
People
Places
1242
Location
Jim's office
LAT
47.636 N
LONG
-122.34 W
room
1848 Westlake Ave N
Seattle, WA
Destination
Tangis
Inspect Someone's Context
Share My Context
Close

Fig. 12D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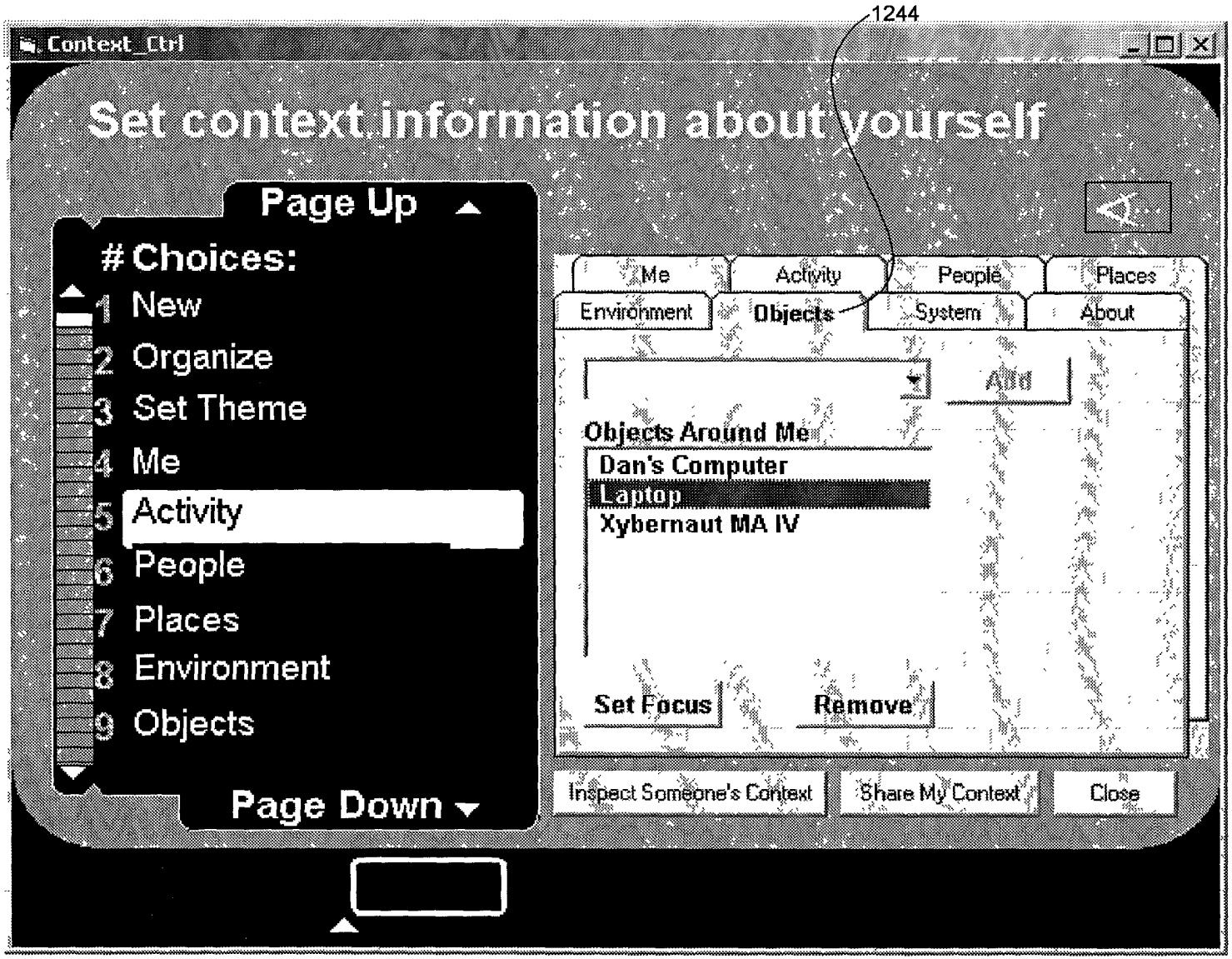
Set context information about yourself
Page Up
Choices:
1 New
2 Organize
3 Set Theme
4 Me
5 Activity
6 People
7 Places
8 Environment
9 Objects
Page Down
Me
Activity
People
Places
Environment
Objects
System
About
Temperature
Inside
70
Outside
36
Light
Sound
It is
windy
today
Inspect Someone's Context
Share My Context
Close

Fig. 12E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Context_Ctrl
Set context information about yourself
Page Up
Choices:
1 New
2 Organize
3 Set Theme
4 Me
5 Activity
6 People
7 Places
8 Environment
9 Objects
Page Down
Me
Activity
People
Places
Environment
Objects
System
About
Add
Objects Around Me
Dan's Computer
Laptop
Xybernaut MA IV
Set Focus
Remove
Inspect Someone's Context
Share My Context
Close

Fig. 12F

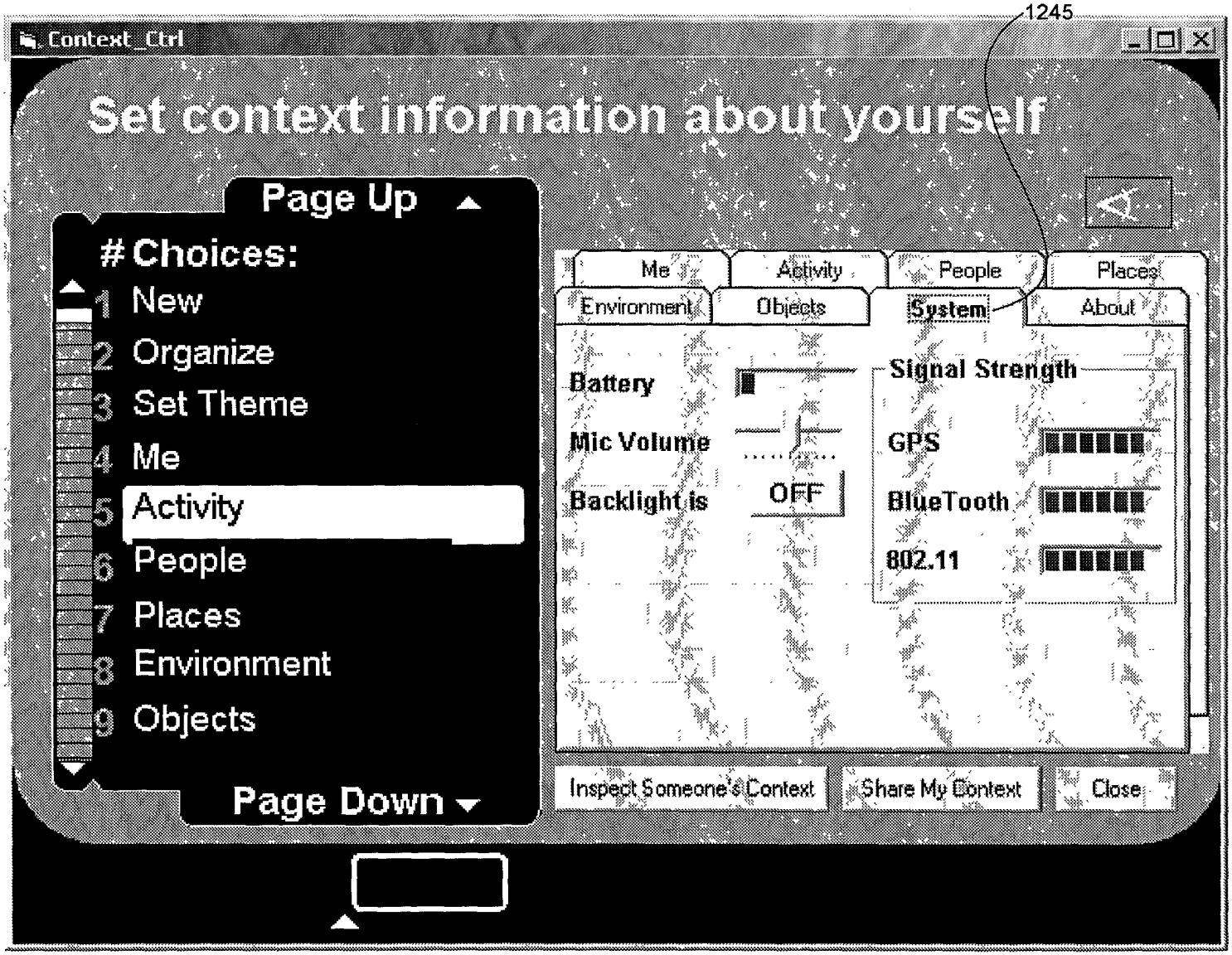
1245
Context_Ctrl
Set context information about yourself
Page Up
Choices:
1 New
2 Organize
3 Set Theme
4 Me
5 Activity
6 People
7 Places
8 Environment
9 Objects
Page Down
Me
Activity
People
Places
Environment
Objects
System
About
Battery
Mic Volume
Backlight is
OFF
Signal Strength
GPS
BlueTooth
802.11
Inspect Someone's Context
Share My Context
Close

Fig. 12G

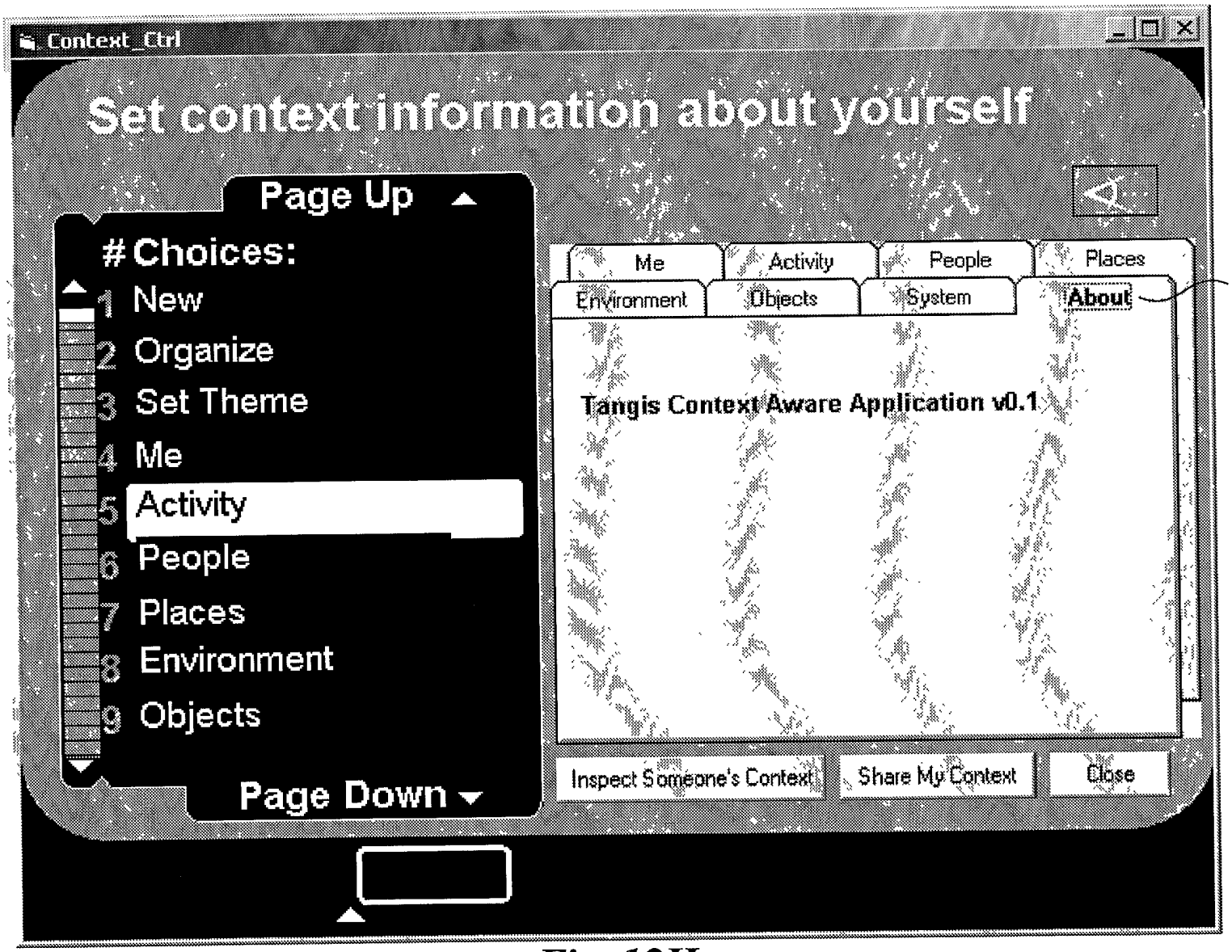
Context_Ctrl
Set context information about yourself
Page Up
Choices:
1 New
2 Organize
3 Set Theme
4 Me
5 Activity
6 People
7 Places
8 Environment
9 Objects
Page Down
Me
Activity
People
Places
Environment
Objects
System
About
1246
Tangis Context Aware Application v0.1
Inspect Someone's Context
Share My Context
Close

Fig. 12H

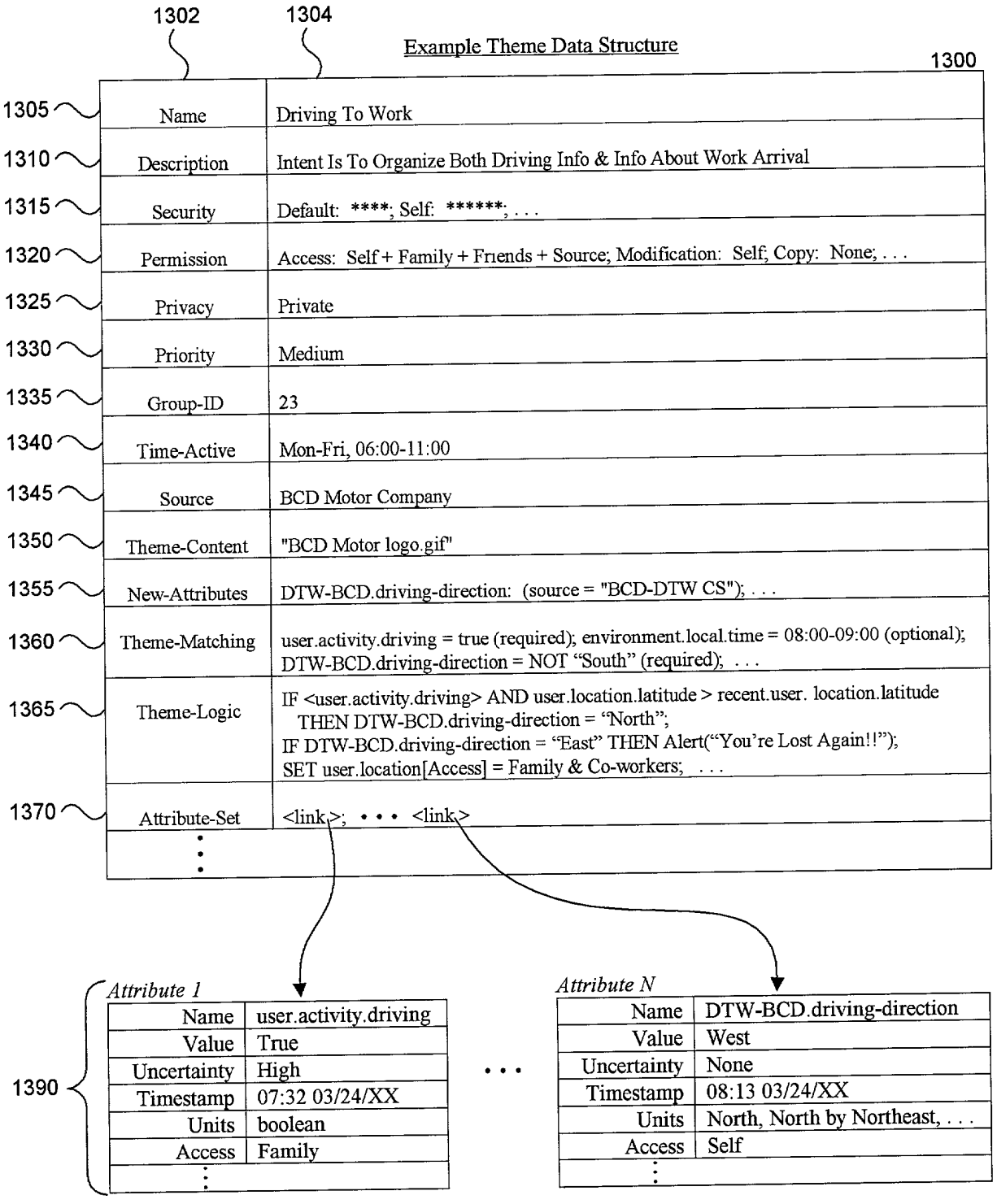
1302
1304
Example Theme Data Structure
1300
1305
Name
Driving To Work
1310
Description
Intent Is To Organize Both Driving Info & Info About Work Arrival
1315
Security
Default: ****; Self: ******; . . .
1320
Permission
Access: Self + Family + Friends + Source; Modification: Self; Copy: None; . . .
1325
Privacy
Private
1330
Priority
Medium
1335
Group-ID
23
1340
Time-Active
Mon-Fri, 06:00-11:00
1345
Source
BCD Motor Company
1350
Theme-Content
"BCD Motor logo.gif"
1355
New-Attributes
DTW-BCD.driving-direction: (source = "BCD-DTW CS"); . . .
1360
Theme-Matching
user.activity.driving = true (required); environment.local.time = 08:00-09:00 (optional);
DTW-BCD.driving-direction = NOT "South" (required); . . .
1365
Theme-Logic
IF <user.activity.driving> AND user.location.latitude > recent.user. location.latitude
THEN DTW-BCD.driving-direction = "North";
IF DTW-BCD.driving-direction = "East" THEN Alert("You're Lost Again!!");
SET user.location[Access] = Family & Co-workers; . . .
1370
Attribute-Set
<link>; • • • <link>
Attribute 1
Name
user.activity.driving
Value
True
Uncertainty
High
Timestamp
07:32 03/24/XX
Units
boolean
Access
Family
1390
Attribute N
Name
DTW-BCD.driving-direction
Value
West
Uncertainty
None
Timestamp
08:13 03/24/XX
Units
North, North by Northeast, . . .
Access
Self

Fig. 13

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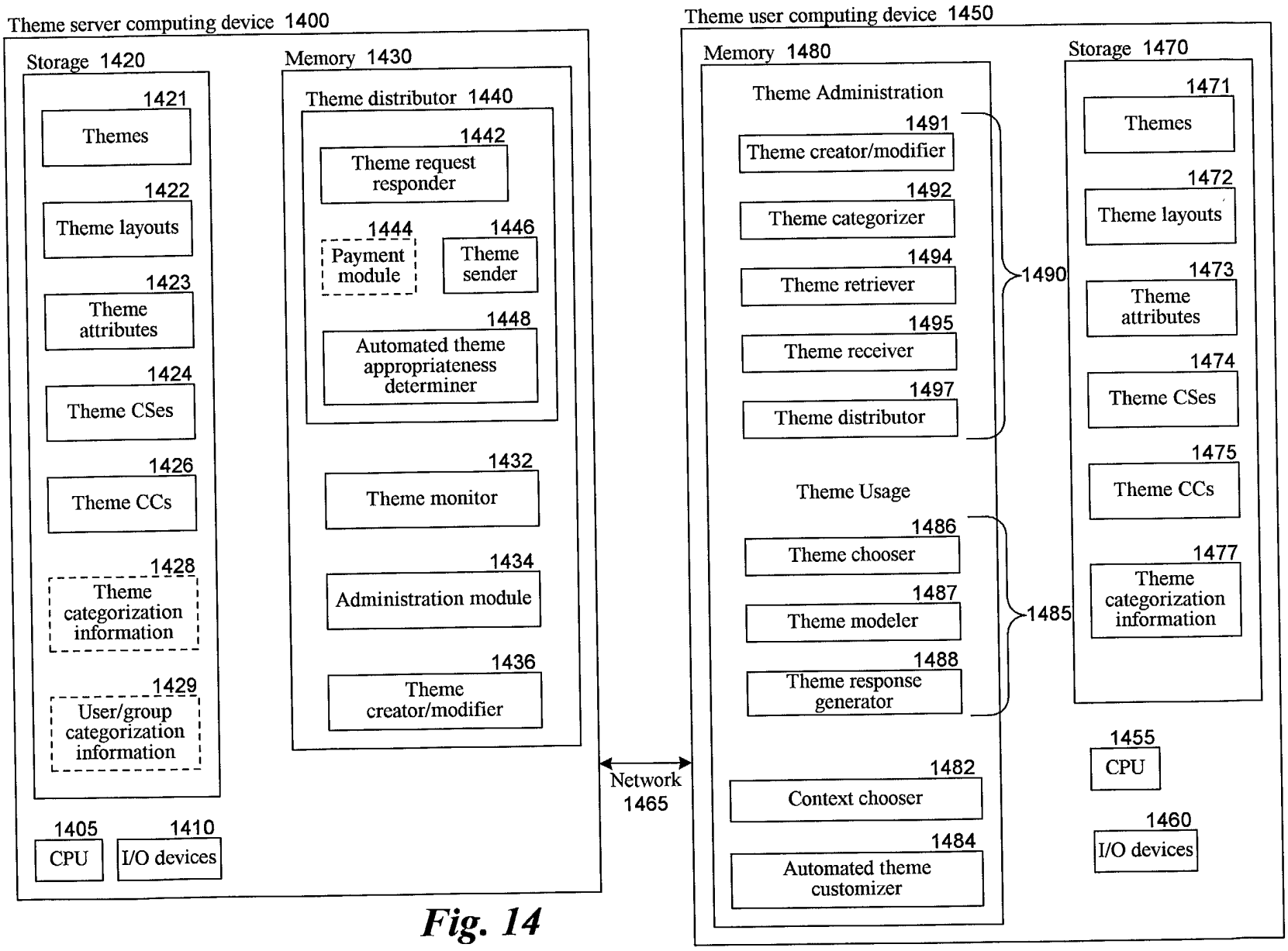

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Fig. 15

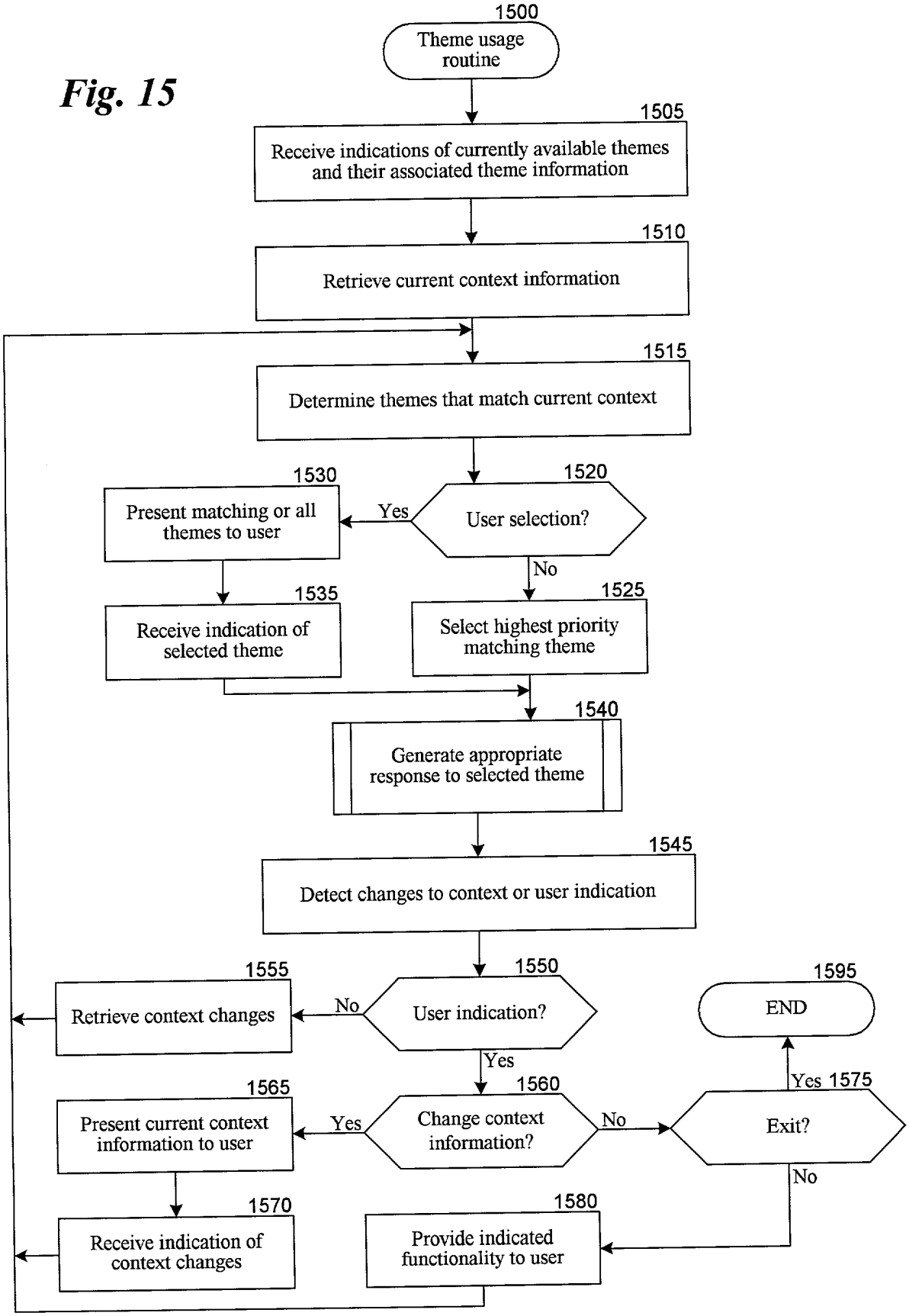
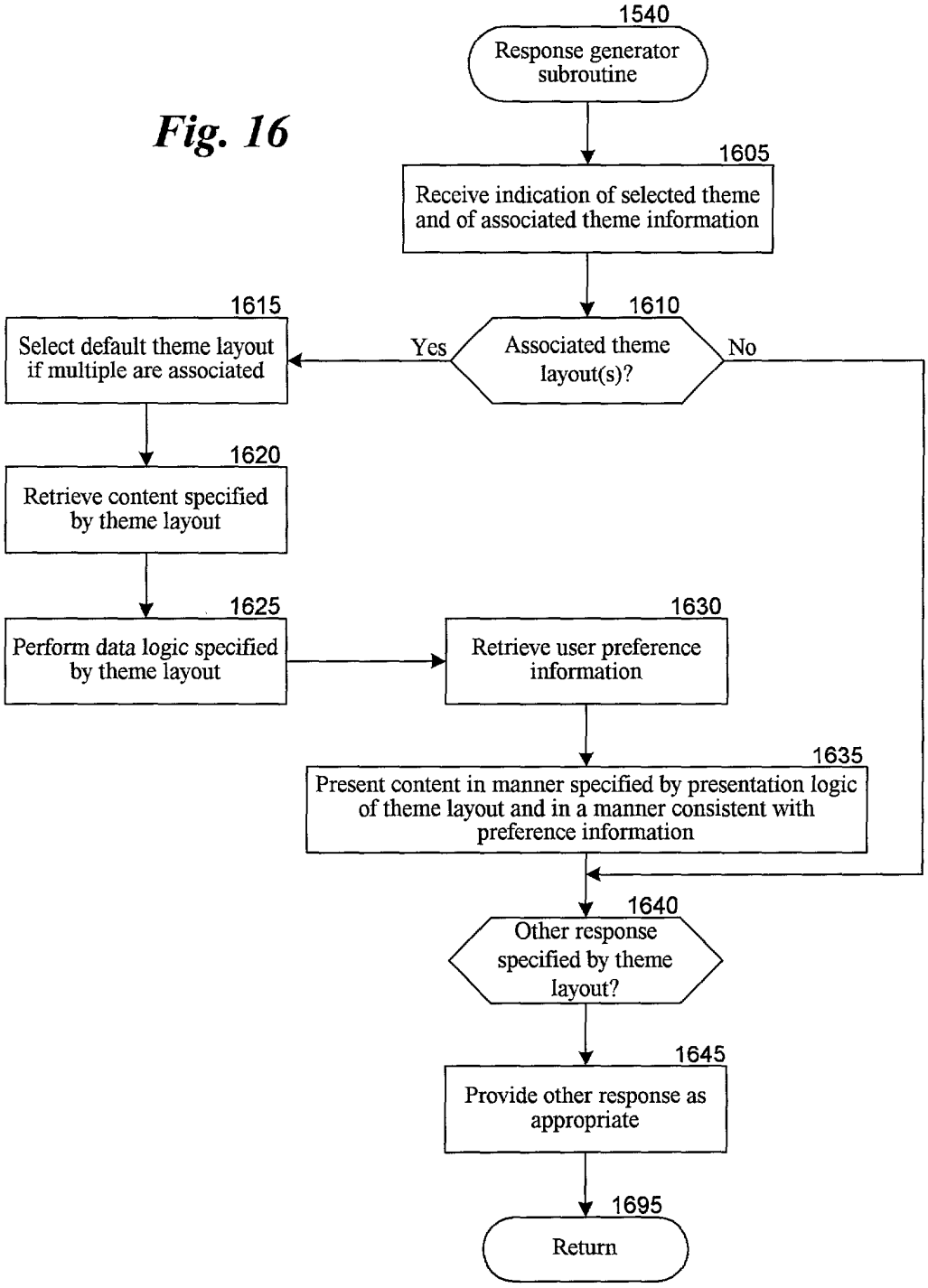

1500
Theme usage routine
1505
Receive indications of currently available themes and their associated theme information
1510
Retrieve current context information
1515
Determine themes that match current context
1520
User selection?
Yes
1530
Present matching or all themes to user
No
1525
Select highest priority matching theme
1535
Receive indication of selected theme
1540
Generate appropriate response to selected theme
1545
Detect changes to context or user indication
1550
User indication?
No
1555
Retrieve context changes
Yes
1560
Change context information?
Yes
1565
Present current context information to user
No
Exit?
Yes 1575
1595
END
No
1570
Receive indication of context changes
1580
Provide indicated functionality to user

Fig. 16


1540
Response generator subroutine
1605
Receive indication of selected theme and of associated theme information
1610
Associated theme layout(s)?
Yes
No
1615
Select default theme layout if multiple are associated
1620
Retrieve content specified by theme layout
1625
Perform data logic specified by theme layout
1630
Retrieve user preference information
1635
Present content in manner specified by presentation logic of theme layout and in a manner consistent with preference information
1640
Other response specified by theme layout?
1645
Provide other response as appropriate
1695
Return

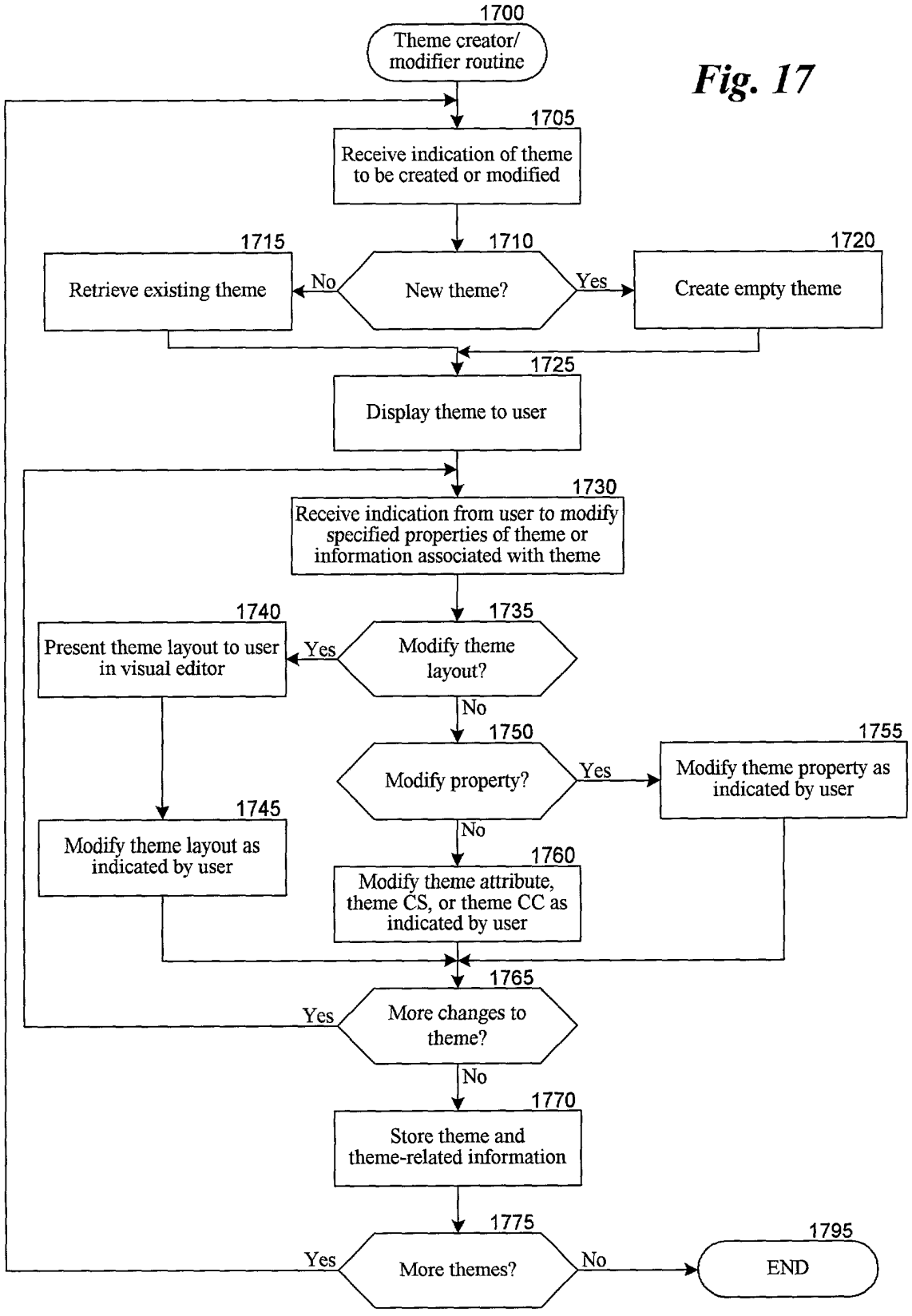

1700
Theme creator/ modifier routine
1705
Receive indication of theme to be created or modified
1710
New theme?
No
Yes
1715
Retrieve existing theme
1720
Create empty theme
1725
Display theme to user
1730
Receive indication from user to modify specified properties of theme or information associated with theme
1735
Modify theme layout?
Yes
1740
Present theme layout to user in visual editor
No
1750
Modify property?
Yes
1755
Modify theme property as indicated by user
No
1745
Modify theme layout as indicated by user
1760
Modify theme attribute, theme CS, or theme CC as indicated by user
1765
More changes to theme?
Yes
No
1770
Store theme and theme-related information
1775
More themes?
Yes
No
1795
END

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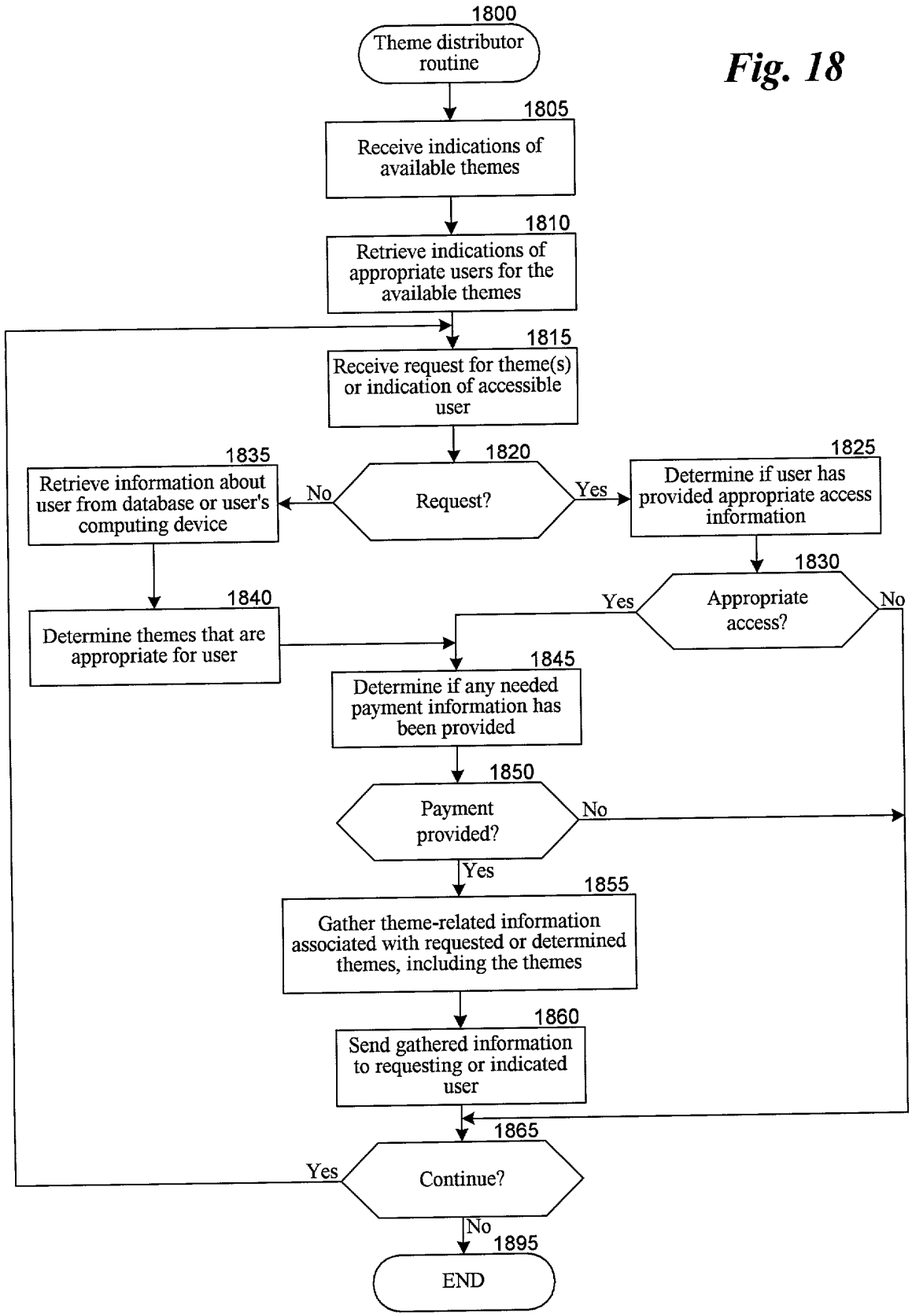
Fig. 18



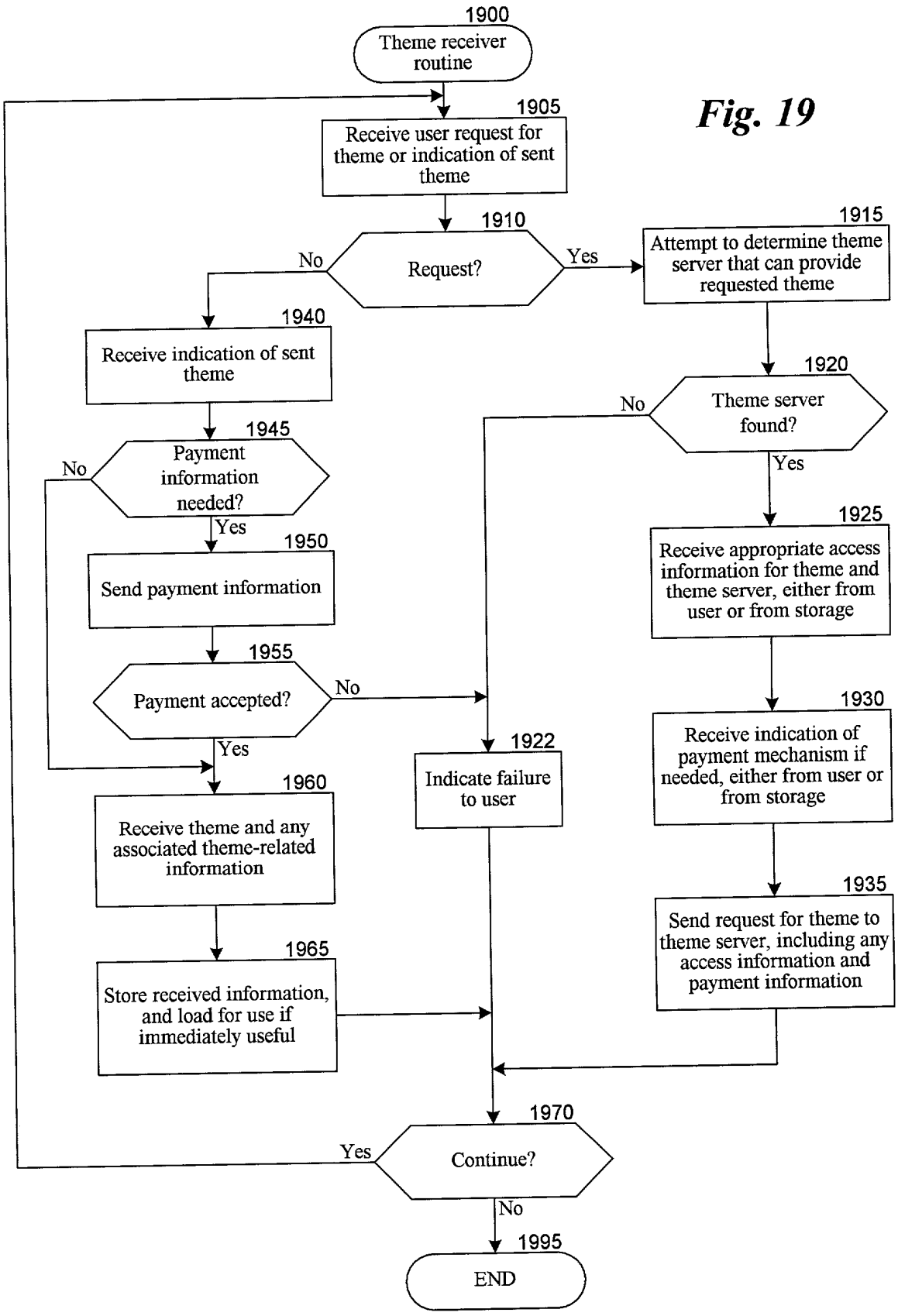

1900
Theme receiver routine
1905
Receive user request for theme or indication of sent theme
1910
Request?
No
Yes
1915
Attempt to determine theme server that can provide requested theme
1920
Theme server found?
No
Yes
1922
Indicate failure to user
1925
Receive appropriate access information for theme and theme server, either from user or from storage
1930
Receive indication of payment mechanism if needed, either from user or from storage
1935
Send request for theme to theme server, including any access information and payment information
1940
Receive indication of sent theme
1945
Payment information needed?
No
Yes
1950
Send payment information
1955
Payment accepted?
No
Yes
1960
Receive theme and any associated theme-related information
1965
Store received information, and load for use if immediately useful
1970
Continue?
Yes
No
1995
END

Fig. 19

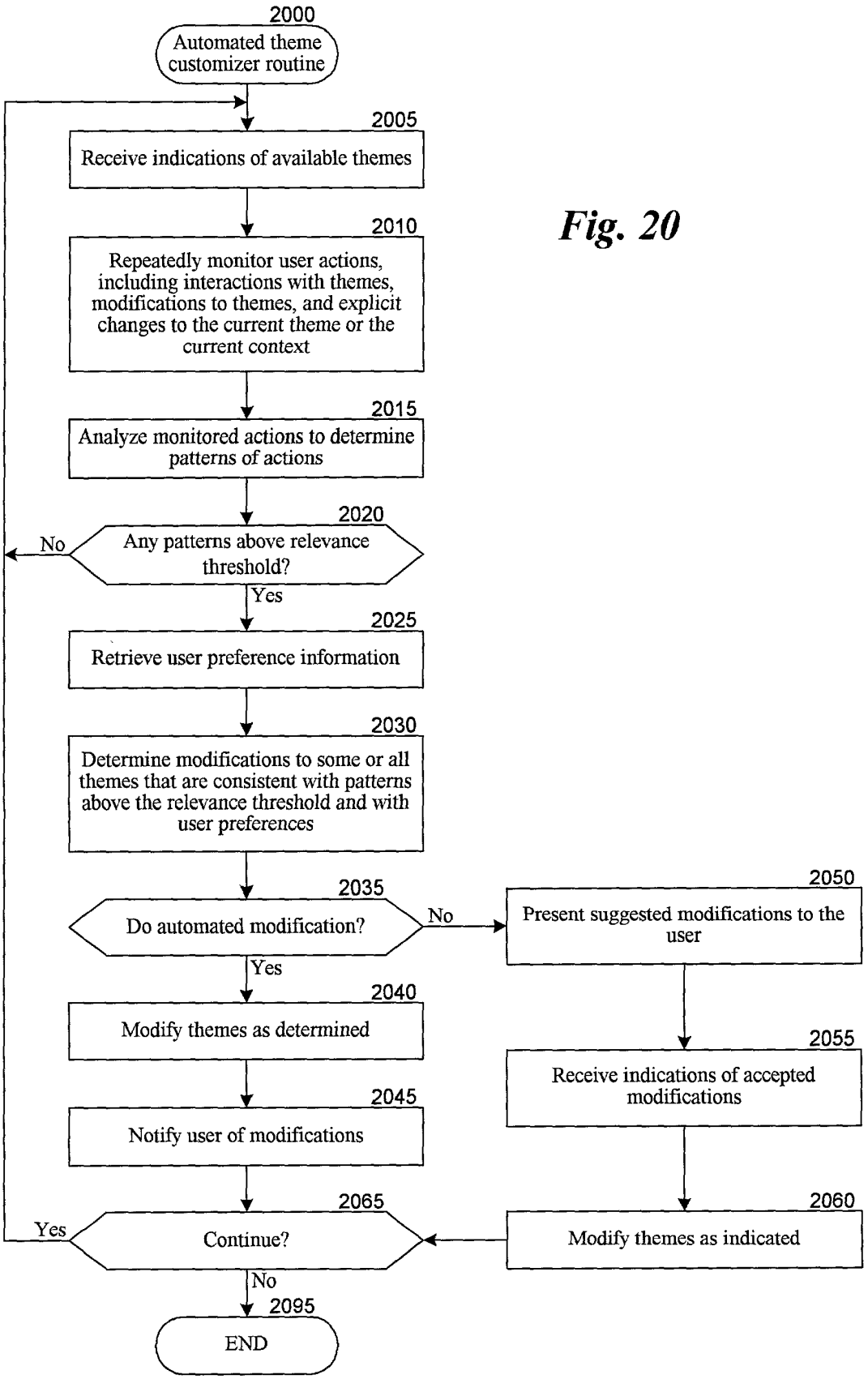

2000
Automated theme customizer routine
2005
Receive indications of available themes
2010
Repeatedly monitor user actions, including interactions with themes, modifications to themes, and explicit changes to the current theme or the current context
2015
Analyze monitored actions to determine patterns of actions
2020
Any patterns above relevance threshold?
No
Yes
2025
Retrieve user preference information
2030
Determine modifications to some or all themes that are consistent with patterns above the relevance threshold and with user preferences
2035
Do automated modification?
No
Yes
2040
Modify themes as determined
2045
Notify user of modifications
2050
Present suggested modifications to the user
2055
Receive indications of accepted modifications
2060
Modify themes as indicated
2065
Continue?
Yes
No
2095
END

Fig. 20